# Rise in public borrowing accepted by **Cabinet**

Cabinet accepted yesterday that public for borrowing would rise next year and that reases in indirect taxation might be inevitable, nesenting a relaxation in the Treasury's metary policy. Spending cuts will be discussed detail at an extra Cabinet meeting on Tuesday; new cuts being sought may total £2,000m.

#### lax increases on way in battle over cuts

se Cabinet meeting for e and a half hours yesterday ng on economic policy, borrowing is going to eses in taxation may now is unavoidable as further m departmental spending. inisters last night were at s to insist that no agrees were reached in detail.

big battle on public spend. uts is being set for an extra net meeting next Tuesday, sell as next Thursday, and aps at meetings continuing late November

sterday's meeting was des-d as a strategy session, more amicable than some set members had expected, sobering. The Prime Mini-spoke only at the end of ong meeting, and she struck of those present as, in word, chastened,

cuts in departmental ding such as education and ice did- not come up in I yesterday, as had been in some ministerial But ministers are r no illusions that by this next week they will sharp dilemmas over new cuts they can, with

nations yesterday, some and incomes policy

der Opposition pressure to H. Mrs Margaret Thatcher trably gave little away at son time in the Commons she noted in a wry aside the did in some way regret cing able to emulate Mr Healey, who as Chan-thad once cut public-ling by £5,000m in a single

#### ing of Treasury's netary stance

binet ministers were say-they had to observe Trap-vows last night, and no confirmation was available the total of new spending being cought approaches being sought approaches

at would be simply to ne higher spending ired next year on a whole e of items, principally idies to nationalized indus-and so hold to the prened cut in overall public ding next year of £1.500m, unced as part of the rameot's— medium-term icial strategy.

I the Cabinet has now agreed

tat as its objective, as Mrs cher asserted to Mr. it scems clear that she the Treasury reams have the war on the matter of

enerus.

But accepting that it must ise represents an easing of the rise represents an easing of the Treasury's extreme monetary stance. By how much, is a question still to be decided by Sir Geoffrey Howe, Chancellor of the Exchequer; that according to some ministers, could curs, could affect the decision when to lower interest rates. and finally could decide whether or not new sources of taxation must be sought.

That would be a significant reversal of policy by the Gov-ernment. For some time now the mas has been treated as either cut spending or raise

But last night the unthinkable "as it was called was on many more lips; it seems likely that people rather than com-panies would be the target, with taxes on spending rather than income tax increases. Again, the issue remains to be

The Cabinet's preoccupation with preserving capital expendi-ture while cutting current spending was hinted at by Mrs Thatcher in one answer in the Commons, it is not always easy to do she said ruefully to a Conservative backbencher.

#### though there was no talk of Liberal call for prices

Geniarcy Rippin, the former Conservative minister, who placed in the Commons record is fear that moneylending was hecoming the only profitable business in Britain, she retorted that she was "every bit as anxious as he to get interest."

rates down.
She signin insisted that the key to that was reducing the amount of berrowing in the economy. It is a policy goal she will have further difficulty explaining as the PSBR rises. To Labour questioners who

manted to know the Government's calculations of further increases in unemployment, a topic which had some ministers shuddering. Mrs Thatcher could only reread her lesson. to the control of the

again became competitive.

A policy change was imperative in the national interest,
Ir Peter Shore, the outsider
in the Labour leadership contest, said. The Cabiner's
dilenma was he said in a
speech that they also "know that they are prisoners of their own self-imposed monetary targets and that if they were now to absorded their monetary tarist doctrines the Government's credibility would totally collapse."

collapse."

Mr David Steel, Liberal Party leader, repeated his call for a fair and sustainable prices and

the war on the many.

her cuts.

bern the "wets", as they seem a cherites, may have won a leader, repeated the cherites, may have won a leader for all its protestations is in the acceptance that the contrary the government in survey found that of the contrary the government in t

#### Frustrated shoppers ask why there is no meat or fruit and why tomatoes cost £3 a lb The food cupboards in Russian homes are running low

From Michael Bidyon Moscow, Oct 30 President Brezhnev's frank admission last week that the countryside was not feeding its cities properly went to the heart of complaints that have

heart of complaints that have been heard with opinous frequency over the past year.

Russians have long been used to shortages, to erratic supplies, and to having to queue. But since the final end of food rationing at the beginning of the Khrushchev period, they have taken it for granted there will be enough to eat. Indeed.

always been scarce especially in winter, but wift tomatoes frustrated shoppers.

now fetching more than 13 a pound in the peasant markets means eating and drinking well.

steady improvement in food people have begun to complain supplies, just as they now openly about prices and short-expert a steady improvement ages.

This has not happened. Most shelves in many shops are cow, traditionally better supplied than the provinces, has greens no sour cream, no meat, experienced shortages that no luxuries such as caviar, were unimaginable only a few years ago. Potatoes, cabbages, which people maintain could carrots and even test all basic to the Russian diet, have been hard, to, find this summer. Only thined produce, much of Fresh fruit and yegetables have always been scarce, especially greens, no sour cream, no meat, no luxuries such as caviar, salted fish and choice salami which people maintain could always be found even in the harsh days of Stalin's rule. Only thined produce, much of it imported from Eastern Europe is available for the frustrated shoppers.

A holiday to most Russians

and the authorities try to stock the shops in preparation for New Year and the November revolution break. Last winter the shortages provoked unpre-cedented grumbling. Even the

lips is: Why? Why cannot the Soviet Union, a wast country with good farming land, provide the assortment of food that was at least available, if not affordable, in the old days? There is no single answer. The main reason is the flight from the countryside, mismanagement and inefficiency

more people, especially young labour force becomes predomi Attempts to improve effi-

ciency by large-scale mechani-zation have been thwarted by poor servicing and repairs of agricultural machinery and a critical shortage of technically qualified men willing to stay on the land.

The general inertia of the economy means that money poured into the countryside has produced little return, and Continued on page 6, col 5



From Michael Horsnell Paris, Oct 30

The Orient Express may have had its murders but even Hercule Poiret might be moved to a tear tomorrow when the lest of the great British trains, the Night Ferry from Victoria station to Paris, comes to the end of the line at the Gare du Nord after 44 years.

Nord after 44 years.

Complete with the faded livery of the very wagons his which in 1936 carried the first passengers across the Channel without disturbing their dreams, the Night Ferry through train is to go the way of the Golden Arrow, the Brighton Belle and the Orient Express itself, to the great station in the sky.

It was the train which gentle-

It was the train which gentlemen caught with other gentlemen's wives from pletform one at Victoria on route for Berle and Berlin, which they reached in time for luncheon the foilow-ing day.

It was the train on which that great traveller Adolf Hitler is said to have decided to make a triumphant entry into a defeated Britzin.

For the use of the electing car in his day a supplement of 1 12s 6d was charged for first class passengers.

Yesterday I paid £132.82 for a last nostalgic first-class single-berth return journey on heard the train which has been losing British Rail 528,000 a year. So I hung my tollet bag from

the velvet-padded hook from which gentlemen used to supend their watch-chains and poked the bell-push to order a half-bottle of Bollinger.

The bell did not work. Neither did the order. The sleeping car attendant, hailed from the other end of the corridor, arrived with a can of warm lager.

"It's either that or Coles, sir", he told me.
"The menu?"

"There's no buffet car, sic."
"A British Rail saudwich?"
"You'll get one on the boar,

In the morning I shaved in lukewarm water because the coal-fired boiler was not working properly and finished standing in a pool of water because the plumbing is not what it used

Mr Colin Neill, the sleening car attendant, confessed: "We do our best but these old cars are a bit like Fawlty Towers, unreliable. Of course the service should be saved. But everything needs replacing. From now or everything's plastic. You'll never see its like again in Britain?

Understandably British Rail is planning no farewell party for its last luxury express which once included among its clien-tele the Queen, the Duke of Windsor, Sir Winston Churchill, and Harold Macmillan.

From its inception the Night Ferry was staffed by the Com-pagnie des Wagons Lits. In 1977, with operational costs rising frighteningly, responsi-bility for the train's maintenance and operation was assumed by British Rail and the Societe Nationale des Chemins de Fer Français (SNCF).

As Mr John Heath, the driver, prepared to take the train out of Victoria on its last journe;, he told me: "I don't like to see it go but you can't carry on like this without spending the money to put things right.
We're losing a little bit of style
and a little bit of history. We
haven't got any decent trains
left."



the Kremlin's. It means that Mr

Union were "permeated by the spirit of good neighbourliness, comradely solidarity, commu-

nity of goals and aspirations"

Both sides were determined to

The Russians have never hid-

independent unions and their dismay at the Polish party's

concessions. But Moscow may

bave decided to let the crisis

ride itself out, and to support Mr Kania in staking tactical concessions, with perhaps the

understanding that these will

be circumscribed when things calm down in the future.

Aeroflot office explosion: An explosion and fire damaged

part of the Warsaw offices of the Soviet Aeroflot airline early

the suggestion put forward by the left-wing Labour Coordinat-ing Committee that they should insist on their MP bringing his

or her ballot paper to an emer-gency meeting of the general

Only nine parties out of 221 polled said that they favoured dictating their MP's vote.

Survey details, map and secret

committee and

ballot plan, page 2

management committee filling it in after a vote.

their antipathy to the

strengthen their "indissoluble

fraternal ties".

Prince Philip arrived at Heathrow Airport, London, yesterday from Morocco. A farewell message of particular warmth from the Queen to to pur paid to reports of the Queen

key Soviet Politburo members want well, it spoke of an atmosphere of condition and an "identity of views", and appeared intentionally to deflate speculation that the Russians had summoned the Poles to warn them accounts and the further concessions.

against any further concessions

to the independent trade

stituency Labour parties if they had a vote in the leader-

ment facing them ". .

The statement said that Mr

Snub dismissed: The Queen and three-day visit Buckingham Palace sonal charge of the arrangements, -said the tour had been unusually interesting (Our Diplomatic Correspondent writes). If there were mishaps giving rise to

reports that the Queen had been upset, they were only ones of timing, having been "shubbed" during her it appears. King Hassan, taking per-

statutes. they know what concessions
Joining Mr Brezhnes at the they will be able to make on

Polish leaders win Soviet support

and pledge of more economic aid

From Our Own Correspondent suggests that they believe War much at their initiative as at

saw is able to handle on its own the new political crisis over

in Moscow this morning for Solidarity's demands that the to know how much help they urgent talks with President acknowledgment of the Com- can expect if any, from the Brezhnev over the political and munist Party's leading role Russians, so that when they economic crisis in their country, should be struck out of its negotiate with the new unions returned to Warsaw in the statutes.

The content of the country is demands that the to know how much help they urgent they when they know what concessions

The key question; to which Tass said both sides paid "special attention", was

Poland's economy. Tass said the

Poles had put forward proposals to ensure "the fuller use of the

possibilities of Polish industry for increasing the output of engineering, light industry, food, and other branches of the

This means that the Poles had asked the Russians for belp in boosting their sluggish light.

The emphasis on this subject,

The parase not only signals, and the few references to the that the Russians have no in- independent unions, suggest tention of intervening, but also that the Poles' visit was as Internal alliance plans, page 6

By Ian Bradley per cent would vote for Mr The survey also found that Mr Michael Foot would be Foot. Mr Denis Healey would the vast majority of local the predominant choice of contractive the support of 27 per Labour parties disagree with the suggestion put forward by

and Mr John Silkin trailing with 2 per cent each.

stituency parties that said they

would vote for Mr Foot em-

phasized that they saw him only as a caretaker leader and

indicated that they would vote for Mr. Wedgwood Benn in a leadership election after the establishment of an electoral

More than half those con-

Mr Foot is local parties' predominant

choice as leader, 'Times' poll finds

processing industry

be strong Soviet support for amount welcoming ceremony wages and goods.
Their position and a promise of and at the Kremlin talke were. Tass said that
further economic aid. Mr Nikolai Tikhonov, the new between Poland and t

A communique published by Prime Minister, Mr Andrei Tass soon after Mr Stanislaw Gromyke, the Foreign Minister, Kania, the Polish party leader, and Mr Konstantin Rusakov,

and Mr Jozef Pinkowski, the the party secretary responsible Printe Minister, left, suggested for relations with ruling Comthe ralks with Mr Brezhnev and munist parties in allied key Soviet Politburo members countries.

Brezhnev had expressed his This means that the Poles country's "conviction" that the had asked the Russians for help Polish. Communists could in boosting their sluggish light resolve "the acute problem of industry, consumer goods, and political and economic develop- the output of food.

was fastidious in looking after his guests. Delays in the programme, and there were several, were described by Buckingham Palace as not important and no cause for

#### BL workforce split on call for strike

Correspondent

British Leyland car workers yesterday voted narrowly to take strike action over the company's pay offer. A meeting of shop stewards on Monday will now decide whether To call an all-out stoppage.

BL Cars pointed out that

plants had voted in favour of a strike. But a union leader emphasized that the largest factories — including Longfactories — including Long-bridge, where the Metro is made—had rejected BL's offer of a 6.8 per cent increase.

Meetings of workers vester-day voted by 35,300 to 31,000 to take strike action. The final decision will have to await the outcome of Monday's meeting of 300 senior shop stewards from all plants.

They will decide whether there is sufficient shopfloor support to call an all-out strike. The system of voting adopted on Monday will be crucial. A free vote will almost certainly lead to a strike. Only four days ago the same Stewards roted unanimously to recommend strike action but to avait the result of yesterday's voting.
It was suggested last night vote in line with the result of individual plant meetings or in proportion to the members they

As the Queen's message put it: "We

have been especially touched by the

programme." The tour is seen as important to Britain in establishing

closer relations with the Mahgreb

countries. Leading article, page 13

Mr Grenville Hawley, the national official of the Transport and General Workers' Union who will chair the meeting, said: "No decision has yet freen made on the voting proce-dure to be adopted. It will have to be discussed with national officials of all the interested unions to reach an acceptable formula. A BL statement said:

Clearly this is a split vote in anvone's language. Less than half the plants which have voted want industrial action (15 to 19) and, when this represents over 30.000 people, it is clear that a large proportion of our workforce do not wish to risk job security or the future of ne company.

"We now await the outcome of the union meeting in Coven-try on Monday morning to see if the unions feel they have any mandate for strike action." Overwhelming support for a trike at Longbridge (where the Metro, Mini and Allegro are made) and Cowley (Maxi, Iral and Princess), the biggest plants in the group employing more than 26,000 manual

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#### that shop stewards should now Ports halt expected on Monday

By David Felton Labour Reporter

Britain's ports are expected to be at a standstill on Monday because of the decision by the National Union of Scamen (NUS) to call a one-day strike in protest at Cunard's move to

n protest at Cunard's move to switch two cruise liners to foreign flags.

All 29 ships in the Cunard fleet have been "blacked" by the union and several are already stranded in British

will be confined to port. Cross-Channel ferries are unlikely to run and Irish ferries will also be affected. Support has been promised by the Transport and General Workers' Union and is being sought from the Inter-national Transport Workers' rational Transport Workers'
Federation, which could halt
ferries across the North Sea.
even if they are foreign.

Mr James Slater, general
secretary of the NUS, said last
night that the strike was the
first shot in a campaign against
companies flying flags of convenience, which he described as
a "maritime mafia".

a "maritime mafia". a maritime maria".

Three days of talks between Mr Slater and Lord Matthews, chairman of Cunard, produced a compromise formula but that was rejected unanimously by The union was demanding

that Cunard drops its plans to transfer the Cunard Counters and the Cunard Princess to the Bahaman flag to cut labour costs. The Princess has been transferred and is cruising the Caribbean with a crew comprised mainly of Swiss, French and Chinese.

with Cunard's difficulties.
Average pay for seamen on some lines was about £22 a week and that for a British sea-



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#### lemand power brought ito operation

Home Office says that already to remaind prisoners are not being ught to court under the section of Government's emergency Act to il with the crists in the prisons. Mr. in Brittan, Minister of Sate at the me Office, called the section, which intended to ease the load on police iding remaind prisoners the most itroversal in the Act. Page 2

#### adgers face death

Agers with tuberculosis pose an formous risk of cross-infecting from beings that warning came from 7d Zuckerman, president of the olegical Society in Landon. He commanded killing the diseased in all with cranide gas, and Porton in the been asset to develop better ahods at dissemination.

#### tate pensions report

le independent inquire into inflation. cofed public-sector pensions expects report acis month, some days liver 16.5 per cent award due to 3.7 llou state employees. Page 5

## face hormones ban

The use of hormones in the rearing of livestock may be gutlawed from fanuary 1. The European Commission has proposed the ban in response to the fourtry over, alleged health hazards when hormones are used to fatten autmals.

#### Kagan trial opens

The prosecution told Leeds Crown Court that Lady Kagan was involved in a scheme to amass money in a Swiss bank account as a "tax-free nest egg". Lady Kagan and others have pleaded not guilty to coaspiring to defraud the Inland Revenue Page 3

#### Injured PC dismissed PC Stephen Hicking, aged 20, who lost part of his stm, in a bomb explosion at Cathord police station, London, has lost his job in the Metropolitan Police after a medical examination. Page 3

Apartheid changes

Dr Piet Koornhof, the South African
Minister of Cooperation and Development introduced these draft laws de-signed to eliminate, unnecessary and hertful discrimination, and to rational-tic black "influx control," into Page 8 "white" areas

#### Livestock farmers — Zambia Chief Justice to try 'coup plotters'

collège.

President Kaunda of Zambia recalled his Chief Justice from London to preside at the trials of alleged plotters of a coup d'état. He claimed that the alleged ringleaders, mainly Zairean dissidents, wanted to overthrow President Mobutto of Zaire. They hoped a new Zambian government would help them. Dr. Kaunda said. Page 6 them. Dr Kaunda said

#### Hostages delay

The Iranian debate on the American bostoges has been delayed until Sunday because deputies opposed to a quick solution boycotted a key parliamentary session depriving it of a cuorum Anti-American feelings were said to be run-ning high: Page 7

It would be a tragedy if newspapers of the calibre of The Times and The Sunday Times went out of existence 2 Classified advertisements: Appointments, page 22; Car buyers' suide, 22; Personal, 23, 24; Property, 16

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Enstoess News, pages 15-21

Stock Blarkets: Equilies very quiet but generally firm, in spite of bad news from BL, with few sellers about. The FT Index closed 0.4 points down at 492.3 Business features: Kenneth Owen on the electronic information revolution; Authory Hilton reports on the problem of alcoholism m American industry

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# ports. All ships with British crews

Lord Matthews has said that he is prepared to sell the entire Cunard fleet, including the Queen Elizabeth 2 if the disputo is not resolved.

Mr Slater said be sympathized

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### Government implementing most controversial section of its emergency powers on jails

Home Affairs Correspondent

Action is being taken to implement what Mr Leon Brittan. Inister of State at the Home troversial section in the Government's emergency Act to deal with the crisis in prisons. It the need to produce remand prisoners in court.

The section is intended to reduce the load on police holding remand prisoners. Without police would be obliged automatically to produce almost all remand prisoners in court at least once every eight days. Prisoners have had to be sent to places that are often at a distance from the courts that remanded them.

Mr Brittan told Parliament that under the arrangements in section 2, the defendant would not appear in court for a remade a special direction. The

Home Office said last night that some prisoners were not being Mr William Whitelaw, Home A. B.

Secretary, has said that the intention is not to halt the ordinary process of judicial review. Courts will still be obliged to examine the case of anyone remanded in custody in the usual way, and it will remain open to them, he said, to tequire that particular prisoners

be brought before them.

The first 17 prisoners arrived at the new Frankland prison near Durham late yesterday afternoon. At Rolleston Camp, on Salisbury Plain, a team of sappers has moved in to prepare it for possible use as a detention centre.

A second army camp, at Eorden, West Sussex, near Petersfield, is under consideration as the next temporary prison in Northern Ireland, a temporary prison is being set up near Magilligan, co London-

At Frankland, military police and army officers will take over prison officers' duties. The Army said: "The soldiers who make up the Royal Military Police will have direct contact with the prisoners, working under the prison governor. The other soldiers are on purely administrative duties. They will have no contact as such with the

The question now is whether Mr Whitelaw will order police cells to be emptied of people held in them because of the prison officers action.

Ulster remand: In Northern Ireland, only one prisoner has been affected by the new emergency order resulting from the action of 2,400 prison officers supporting their colleagues in Britain (our Belfast Correspon-

#### MP dispels anxiety about prison

From Our Correspondent

Mr Mark Hughes, Labour MP for Durham, yesterday approved security arrangements for the new Frankland prison, Durham, before the arrival of its first 17 prisoners. He said that misgivings on the part of local people, because the prison had been commissioned a year earlier than in-tended were groundless.

"All security facilities have been completed." he said, "except the electronic control of the main door, which will ensure that it cannot be opened when the inner gate is open That is being attended to."

The prison has been opened to take prisoners who are being held in police cells because of industrial action by prison officers. The second intake of 80 (the first came from Cleve-land) will arrive from other parts of the North today.

Mr Hughes said he was very impressed by the speed and effectiveness with which the 1st Bartalion, The Gordon High-landers, had completed preparations and also by the general standard of design and facilities. "These are much higher than in many prisons." Mr Gary Dadds, the governor,

showed Mr Hughes the inter-fence and the 17ft high outer wall of reinforced concrete surmounted by a anti-escape over-hang. The corridor between the fence and wall is patrolled by the RAF with dogs.

Mr Hughes had been conrned about security because the prison is near a residential estate. "I find that these people have less to fear than hose who live near the existing

involved in separate incidents]
"approached by the conference stewards" and "escorted from the hall by plain-clothes police" had made any complaint of second

The incident occurred in full

view of the Prime Minister, the Home Secretary and

Cabinet, as well as television

# of the Labour leader by secretical of the Labour leader by secretical ballot of all individual members of the party, to be put before the Labour Party special conference in January is being circulated to all constituency parties by the Campaign for Labour Victory, a grass-roots organization which has the general support of the Manifesto Group of 80 moderate

#### First choice seems clear but switch to Mr Benn next year likely

## Mr Foot well ahead in constituency party poll

Over the past seven days.

The Times has spoken to the chairman or secretaries of 221 of the 268 constituency Labour parties in Britain which have sitting Labour MPs to obtain their views on the Labour leadership election.

In 90 of those parties, either the general management committees have not yet met or the party officers were unwilling to comment on the election. Among the remaining 131. who have held polls or other-wise gauged their members' views, 78, or 59.5 per cent, said that they would support Mr Michael Foot if they had a vote in the present election; 35 (26.7 per cent) would support Mr Denis Healey, and two (15 per cent) would support Mr

Peter Shore and two Mr John A further seven parties said A further seven parties said that their support was equally divided between Mr Foot and Mr Healey, three between Mr Foot and Mr Shore, one between Mr Foot and Mr Silkin and one between Mr Shore and Mr Healey. Two parties said that members were equally divided in their support of all four candidates.

There are significant regional variations in the level of support for each candidate. While Mr Foot and Mr Healey have equal support in the Midlands

equal support in the Midlands and East Anglia and in York-shire and Humberside, Mr Foot scores much better among constituency parties in Scotland, the North west and in
London and the South east
where Mr Healey finds no
supporters at all among the 28
parties polled by The Times.
Mr Healey is ahead of Mr
Foot in Wales, where the latter
has his Ebbw Vale constituency.
Wales also provides Mr Silkin Wales also provides Mr Silkin with his only vote outside his own constituency of Lewisham,

Llanelli constituency party said it would probably vote for him "because he has local family connexions". Mr Shore has the support of Hull Central and Walsall North. His own constituency of Tower Hamlets, Stepney and Poplar, did not

choice of the constituencies in an election held next year

By George Clark

Labour MPs.

Political Correspondent

A proposal for the election

festo Group, said it was an outrage that the party's national executive committee

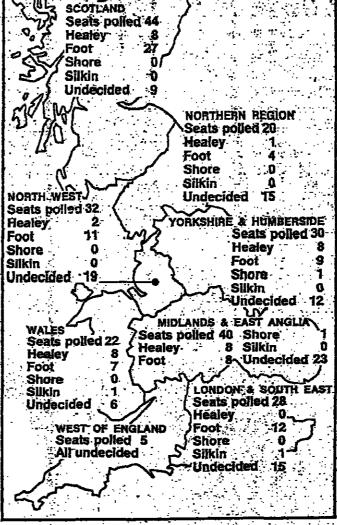
had refused to agree to circulate the moderates' scheme for the leadership election.

"It is monstrous that the NEC should take it upon them-selves to circulate only one

model constitutional amend-ment—the one they prefer ", he said. "Tom Bradley [Labour

MP for Leicester, East] put this to the NEC at their meeting this

week, but it was rejected out. of hand.



under a new electoral college

More than half of those con stituency parties which said that they would vote for him in the present election made it clear that they wanted him to be a caretaker leader and most indicated that their vote would switch to Mr Wedgwood Benn when he stands under the new

express a view.

Although Mr Foot clearly have taken two polls, one on commands the support of most the present leadership candilocal parties polled, he would dates and one on those of their not necessarily be the first choice. The Haringey, Horney party, for example, voted in its first poll 33 for Mr Foot, three

of democracy coming over the

horizon they decided that only their own model would be

But Mr Thomas reminded

the NEC that they would not decide what went on the agenda at the special conference. It would be the conference

arrangements committee and it

was certain that many constitu-

ency parties who shared the views of the moderates would put forward the one member,

The Campaign for Labour Victory which claims to have 5,000 supporters in the constituencies, stated: "We remain firmly of the view that the best.

way of choosing the leader of the Labour Party in Parliament is by the present method of election by Labour MPs whose confidence he has to command.

regarded as legitimate."

one vote proposal.

Announcing the details last The moderate campaigners night, Mr Mike Thomas, MP settled their plan for the for Newcastle upon Tyne East, Labour Party at the weekend, a leading member of the Maniand published it last night.

Campaign for Labour Victory sends

secret ballot plan to all members

for Mr Healey, two for Mr Silkin and one for Mr Shore, and on their second, 21 for Mr Benn 12 for Mr Foot, and one each for Mr Silkin, Mr Shore, Ian Mikardo and Mr Neil Kin-

The survey also shows that constituency parties often dif-fer significantly in their favoured candidate from their MPs. The 44 Labour MPs in Scotland have indicated that in the first ballot 17 votes will go to Mr Foot, 16 to Mr. Healey, two to Mr Silkin and one to Mr. Shore, with eight MPs un-decided or not publicly com-

method of election must be in

principle and in practice as legitimate and democratic as

the present procedure; and that the mechanisms of the delegate, the block vote and the

electoral college are wholly inappropriate as a basis for

Therefore the campaign was circulating to its supporters and all constituency Labour Parties a model constitutional

amendment which would provide for election by secret postal vote by all individual members of the party.

It assured those who might complain about the elimination of the trade union block vote and the collective votes of other affiliated organizations that their members could ensure that they had votes by enrolling as individual members in their constituencies.

Dr David Owen, Labour MP for Plymouth, Devoport, who is taking a leading part in the moderates' campaign, said the procedure should give a big

election of the leader."

however divide 21 for Mr. Book, eight for Mr. Healey, and note for Mr Shore or Mr Silkin, with nine undecided. In spite of those differences

In spite of above differences, most construency paries believe in leaving their MPs free to cast their yours as they see fit. They overwhelmingly reject the idea proposed by the Labour Coordinating Committee that MPs should bring their ballot papers to an emergency meeting of the general management committee and fill them in after a vote has been taken

there.
Mr Michael Meather, MP for Oldham West, and a member of the Coordinating Committee. said that it was not in any way trying to suggest to constitu-ency parties that their should yet the rotes of their MPs or mandate them. That, however, is how many local parties seem. now many focal parties seem to have interpreted the committee's letter which was sent out to affiliated constituences on October 20. Most parties have not bothered to discuss the matter.

The Times survey has found

The Times survey has tound nine constituency parties, who say that they are broadly in favour of mandating their MPs to vote for a particular candidate and of verting their votes. Bradford North party has taken the toughest stand. At a meeting last weekend it voted. It is not a meeting last weekend it voted. Mr. Benjamin Ford, its MP, more difficult to restar should be mandated to vote for and that could be the co Mr. Foot and should inform the The Times and The Mr Foot and should inform the party who he has voted for at every stage of the ballot. Barnsley constituency party, which supports Mr Foot has also said that it is in favour of vetting and is likely to be involved in a clash with Mr Roy Mason its MP, who is expected to support Mr Healey. Other constituency parties which have declared themselves in favour of the

selves in favour of the principle of mandating their MPs are Nottingham West (Mr Michael English), Walsall North (Mr David Winnick), Haringey, Tortenham (Mr. Norman Arkin-son), Hammersmith North (Mr. Clive Soley), Hounslow, Felt-ham and Heston (Mr. Russell Kerr), Lambeth, Vauxhall (Mr. Stuart Holland) and Eton and Slough (Miss Joan Lestor). Additional reporting by Craig Seton, Ronald Faux, John Chartres, Ronald Kershino and Arthur Osman,

unions to

crisis talks

Disagreement between the mions has meant that the moves toward long-term efficiency improvements, which

efficiency improvements, which were agreed in principle as part of last April's 20, per cent pay deal, have not gone into effect.

The conference has been called for November 19 and 20.

Last night, the executive of the Narional Union of Railwaymen (NUR), which with 180,000 members is dominant in the industry, agreed to estend the meeting.

meeting The attitude of the other unions, the Associated Society

of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen and the white-collar Transport Salaried Staffs Asso-



Mr Foot: A tragedy if

## Appeal for save paper

Times went out of existe would be a magedy for dom, Mr Michael Foot, leader of the Labour said last night. He urg Government to give eme assistance to prevent papers being wiped out

Mr Foot, addressing a meeting to London on the dustries were suffering more difficult to restart and that could be the ca:

Times: Mr Foot said that wrong for the Governm interevene. If the proces papers. It was a threat proper means of free sion. The loss of the I Evening News was a disaster

The National Union o nalists (NUJ) and punious, with the support opposition, should mistronger joint approach to get the Government to

Mr Kenneth Ashton secretary of the NUI, organized the meeting there seemed no buy

ownership for national papers should be inves But he was not enamou Mr William Rees Mogg, **BR summons** armour and on a white charging around seeking It was an important stublock that Thomsons we to pay £1.5m this ye £800,00 next year to b piece work for the intro of new technology. The A two-day oxisis conference with the three rail unions has been called by British Rail in an attempt to break the dead-lock over introducing producment could help mal money available. "Tied" offer: Nationa paper publishers hav tivity measures that it says are vital to its future.

printing union leaders per cent pay rises for men in the industry n tied to an agreement to unofficial strikes (Our The pay offer from th

paper Publishers Ass has been coolly received unions, and is certain rejected at meetings ne-The proposed deal sets mum rise in earnings o week from January 1. Quite apart from the size of the wage increa offer is exciting cons reaction among workers because the en want from union leaagreement that u strikers will not be p all employees will rebasic wages until dispucedures are honoured.
The refusal to allow crease to count for pi is expected to cause negotiating difficulties.

being released on bail without

tary of State at the Home Office, was questioned by Lord Bruce of Donnington, a Labour

Lord Bruce wanted to know what proceedings were con-templated "to uphold the rule

a charge being preferred, he no further action would be was kept overnight at the Royal taken, noting that neither of

Police deny protester was unconscious By. Fred Emery Political Editor

Sussex police informed the Government that a protester Sussex Hospital.
Lord Belstead; Under Secredragged from the Conservative Party conference earlier this month a Home Office minister stated in the Lords yesterday. peer, after my report of the
The man, Mr Michael Carver,
a member of the Right to Work
campaign who gained unstewards and some Conservaauthorized access to the tives including women. Brighton Centre and protested

during Mrs Thatcher's closing speech, claims that he came round in a police cell. After of law".

#### Handicaps test in schools 'are misleading'

By Our Education Correspondent Some screening tests used to detect educational handicaps in primary school children are worse than useless, a report to

suggests.

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Children in the former West Riding of Yorkshire, who were identified as having handicaps after screening at the age of seven were reassessed six years later by Mr Ewen Rennie, a school psychologist in Kirklees. Mr Rennie produces his findings in the November issue of Educational Research. They suggest that the screening, which involved comments by teachers as well as standard-ized tests of vocabulary, reading and design copying, not

only identified children as being in need of special education when they were not, but also missed many of those who Two pupils out of every three were assessed as in need of help from the school psycho-

logical service did not need it, and three out of four who did were missed, Mr Rennie says. Of the 30 children who were deemed to be in need of special education at the age of seven, 29 did not eventually need it. while three quarters of those who were later judged to be in need of special education were missed in the original screening.

Only a third of the children aged seven identified as likely to fail educationally were in the bertom 10 per cent on a reading test at the age of 13

New disease victim A man is in hospital at Enniskillen, Northern Ireland, with legionnaire's disease, which he contracted after returning from Portugal. The hospital said there was no danger to staff or

to the community.

#### County decides on £12m education cuts By Our Education

Correspondent
Cheshire County Council
agreed yesterday to go ahead
with its plans to cut £12m from
its education budget over the next five years, but decided to reexamine the controversial proposals as to how those cuts are to be carried out.

About 400 parents, teachers and trade unionists demonstrated outside the county hall in protest against proposals put forward by the policy and resources committee, but not endorsed by the education committee, that would have involved the loss of 1,448 teaching posts by 1985 and a worsening of the pupil-teacher ratio.

The education committee had said it would accept the proposals, which it believed would result in a lowering of education standards, only if directed to do so by the county council.

Education's share of the cuts involve a reduction of £2.1m in this year's education budget of £156m, and the loss of 335 teaching jobs and of 85 ancillary staff It is hoped that that can be

in schools. achieved without compulsory re-dundancies. It is intended that the pupil-teacher ratio will be kept at its present level.

#### Parliamentary report, page 4 Hopes of single-figure deal dented by Mr Duffy

By Paul Routledge Labour Editor

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figure wage settlement was a maximum."

The purctured vesterday by The package maximum.

a deal giving increases of 8.2 per cent on nationally agreed minimum rates, he issued a warning that under the industry's two-tier bargaining system workers would seek more money in shopfloor bar-

#### abour Editor assertions made by the Prime The Prime Minister's confidence that the engineering in-

Union of Engineering Workers.
Speaking after the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions had approved

# have settled for 8 per cent," Mr Duffy insisted. "National a maximum." The package covering 1.250,000 workers employed in member firms of the Engineering Employers' Federation will

raise the minimum rate for skilled workers from £73 to £79 a week, and the unskilled basic goes up from £52.50 to £56.80. The new rates will come into effect when plant agreements come up for renewal in

ments come up for renewal in the year beginning tomorrow. Most workers earn substanti-

Mr Terence Duffy, moderate president of the Amalgamated

#### rates through plant bargaining Cohse fights expulsion

By Our Labour Staff
The Confederation of Health could cause illness. Service Employees has taken up the case of Miss Jay Vyapoory, aged 36, a Mauritian, who was

doctor's note that expulsion The union has asked Mr Timothy Raison, Minister of State at the Home Office, to told last Friday she must leave reconsider the cases of eight the country on Sunday. Miss Vyapoory, who works at flarper-bury Hospital, Radlet, Hertfordshire, was allowed a temporary extension after she produced a

#### Government's housing policy attacked By Pat Healey

Social Services Correspondent
The Government's "callous
and cynical" housing policies
were leading Britain towards a
housing crisis of a scale and

housing crisis of a scale and intensity unremembered in modern times, the National Council of One-Parent Families was warned yesterday.

Mr. Christopher Holmes, director of, the East London Housing Association, told the council's annual conference that the council's annual conference that

one-parent families would be among the main sufferers.

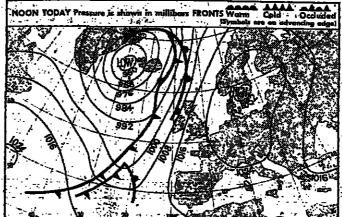
He pointed out that one-parent families were disproportionately dependent on public housing, and would therefore sufer more from the cuts in heavening mending which by 1983 housing spending which by 1983 would reduce spending to one third of the level in 1975.

One-parent families had half the disposable income of two-parent families and were there-

fore unlikely to benefit from the introduction of the right to buy for council tenants. They would suffer instead from the reduction in housing stock that would result from council house sales. They would suffer, too, if the

campaign to emasculate the Housing (Homeless Persons)

## ment—the one they prefer, he said. "Tom Bradley [Labour MP for Leicester, East] put this to the NEC at their meeting this week, but it was rejected out of hand. "Having seen this little bit contidence he has to command. moderates' campaign, said the procedure should give a big fillip to party membership. A bilance between the constituent the franchise for choosing the cies, the parliamentary party and the trade unions had to wider views of the party at hold if the party was to lave ciation, was not known. Leaders of the NUR, meeting in London, decided that urgent steps had to be taken because of the railways' worsening financial position. Weather forecast and recordings



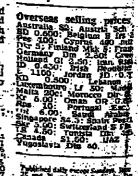
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Pressure will remain high to the E as frontal troughs approach NW

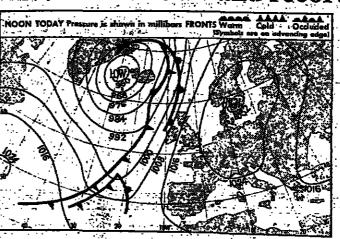
Forecasts for Sam to midnight:
London, SE Central S, E. Central N, NE, NW, England, East
Auglia, Midlands, Channel Islands.
Dry. sunny periods; wind S
light to moderate; max temp 12°
to 13°C (54° to 55°F).
SW England, Wales; Mostly
dry, bright or sunny intervals;

Isle of Man, SW, NE Scotland, Glasgow, central Highlands, Moray Firth, Orkney, Sherland: Rather cloudy, outbreaks of rain or drizzle spreading from E; wind S fresh, increasing strong; max temp 9 to 11 °C (48 ° to 52 °F). Argyll, NW Scotland, N Ireland: Cloudy, rain or drizzle at times; wind S, strong to gale; max temp 11° to 12°C (52 to 54°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Sunday Rain at times in Scotland and N Ireland; mostly dry with some sunshine in England and Wales.



# NOON TODAY



New Moon : November 7. Lighting up : 5.05 pm to 6.24 am: Algung up: 5.05 pm to 6.24 am: High water: London Bridge, 6.55 am, 6.9m; 7.30 pm; 6.2m. Avonmouth, 12.10 am, 10.2m; 12.37 pm, 10.1m. Dover, 4.03 am, 5.6m; 4.47 pm, 5.3m. Hull, 11.51 am, 5.9m. Liverpool, 4.41 am, 7.5m; 5.09 pm; 7.5m. 1ft=0.3048m 1m = 3.2808ft

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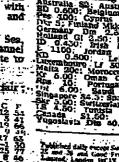
Wales

Sea passages: S. North Sea

Straits of Dover, English Channel

(E): Wind S to SE, moderate to

fresh: sea slight to moderate. WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY; c. douds I, sair;



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London: Temp: max 6 pm, 12°C (54°F); 1 to 6 am, 6°C (43°F). 6 pm, 64 per cent. Rat to 6 pm, nil. Sun; 5 pm; 7.9 hrs. Bar, mear 6 pm 1026.3 rafilibars 1,000 millibars = 29.53

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# Pig burnt in grate as murder case experiment, police say Police investigating six the multiple murder trial of described in detail the alleged Childs to murder Mr Frederick leged murders burnt a pig thenry MacKenney and others disposal by burning of bodies Sherwood. Later Mr Michael Hill, QC, The complaint was decied by the complaint wa weighing 11 stone in a council flat living reom in a macabre experiment, a jury at the Central Criminal Court heard yesterday. Using a knife, saw and maller, they dismembered the animal's carcass and burnt it in the same grate used, it is alleged, to burn the bodies. Det Sergeant Frank Williams said when giving evidence in that it took 13! hours to burn the bodies, the prosecution allogs. Childs, a prosecution witness, alleged, to burn the bodies. Det Sergeant Frank Williams said when giving evidence in that it took 13! hours to burn the burnt to burn the pig. Mr Mackenney, aged 48, of the prosecution allogs. Stodmarsh Road, Camerbury, and was careful with his words. Kent, said his client had been deliberately isolated by the deliberately isolated by the mander Frank Cater about his single murder charges. Childs, a prosecution witness, all marks and marker. Easex, have denied the mander Frank Cater about his single murder charges contend the police. He was cross-examining Commender Frank Cater about his single murder charges contend the police. He was cross-examining Commender Frank Cater about his single murder charges. Childs, a prosecution witness, who is serving life imprisonment for his part in six killings, and was careful with his words. Kent, said his client had been deliberately isolated by the mander Frank Cater about his single murder charges. Childs, a prosecution witness, who is serving life imprisonment for his part in six killings, and was careful with his words. Kent, said his client had been deliberately isolated by the murder frank Cater about his single murder charges. The complaint was denied by for the four defendants in the "triat, Paul Mr Morton-Thurtle, and deliberately isolated by the murder frank Cater about his single murder charges. The prosecution of Mr Morton-Thurtle, and was careful with his words. Kent, said his client had been deliberately isolated by the murder frank Cater who had the was perfectly. The four defendants in the "triat, Paul Mr Morton-Thurtle and deliberatel alleged murders burnt a pig

#### Lady Kagan in plot to amass £½m tax-free nest egg, jury is told

From Our. Correspondent

Leads College of the head of the Gannex textile empire, was involved with others in a in Belgium and Italy. scheme to amass a large sum in a secret Swiss bank account as a "tax-free nest egg", it was alleged by the prosecution at Leeds Crown Court yesterday. She pleaded not guilty to conspiring to defraud the

Inland Revenue by keeping the profit from the export of denim cloth, Lady Kagan, aged 55, of Fixby Road, Euddersfield, is jointly accused with two other

people and one company.

Raymond Kennedy, aged 54, of Wedgwood Drive, Leeds; Ibolya Ginsburg, of Broomfield, Elland, near Halifax, and Kagan Textiles Ltd, also pleaded not guilty to conspiracy to defraud. guilty to conspiracy to defraud the Crown.

· A similar charge against an-

The case against Mrs Ginsburg's husband Waidemar was not proceeded because he was too sick to stand trial. He was distharted Mr Christopher Holland, QC, for the prosecution, said the

case arose from an alleged conspiracy involving a life neer and the formation of a Panamanian company with its own secret "The other side is the sad criminality of the matter. We

are dealing with people of proven talent and achievements who found themselves more and more involved in a matter which rise to more and more

The defendants planned to divert into their Swiss account money that should have been

money that should have been brought back to Britain. The group had made up "criminally-false documents and records" to cover up the scheme.

They formed a Panamanian company called Denim Continentale (SA). "Although it was wholly owned and controlled by the defendants, its ownership that least eacher and claudes. kept secret and clandes-The trial was adjourned until

The Panamanian company returned to Britain very modest sums representing a gross under-value, and sent the balance of the money to the bank account in Switzerland. At least £546,695 was diverted to Switzerland from the sale of denim".

The part played by Lord Kagan was vital to the back-ground of the case, Mr. Holland said. But Lord Kagan was not accused of conspiracy to defraul. He was earlier committed to face trial later on separate charges. separate charges.

Lord Kagan was energetic enterprising and financially shrewd and commanded obed other Kagan company. Celloience and lovalty from his foam (Yorkshire) Ltd, will be dealt with later.

The case against Mrs Ginsand was the living spirit behind the conspiracy that is alleged ". Mrs Ginsburg was a trusted and loyal employee of the Kagan group, and served as assistant to her husband, Waldemar, who was mainly responsible for the paperwork.

of the Panamanian company. Mr Kennedy was, Mr Holland said, at the centre of the finan-cial administration of the group and was an inevitable member if the alleged conspiracy was to work. He was company sec-retary of the three British firms involved in the case.

Lady Kagan, who had lived apart from her husband for some time, was heavily involved in the family's business deal-

Mr Holland said the denim came into Lord Kagan's hands after the purchase of a bankrupt company. Charles Crabtree Ltd in 1972. By 1974 the stock of denim bought at low prices became valuable because of an increased demand for the com-modity in Europe. It was then that the alleged conspiracy was

#### PoWs likely to get pay at 1945 rates

By Nicholas Timmins

The Government is expected to announce today that prisoners of war who were deducted pay while in captivity during the Second World War will be paid the money owed to rhem.

But it appeared last night that the monies owed may be paid at their wartime value, without any allowance for infla-

However, Lord Kimberley, who has raised the issue in the House of Lords, said last night that he believed the men's case had been looked at favourably by the Government, and was "cautiously optimistic" that there would be a favourable outcome. outcome.

The money was deducted from officers' pay to allow for the camp currency that the Germans and the Italians were meant to pay prisoners under the Geneva Convention. Many say, however, that they received little or no camp currency.

After the war the cash was paid over to the Treasury.



#### Anti-Jewish bomb claims doubted

By a Staff Reporter

Scotland Yard was yesterday considering claims that the neo-Nazi group Column 88 was responsible for the incendiary device sent to Mr. Frank Allaun, Labour MP for Salford East, who is Jewish.

There were suspicions that the calls, to Thames Felevision and the Daily Mirror, may have been houses. Both calls, in different voices, came shortly after the early evening television news, and many hours after news first came out that Mr Allaun had seen wires inside

the padded envelope
The caller to Thames Television also spoke of "the bomb tonight", when the package had originally actived at Mr Allaun's home on Tuesday and had been

The caller to the Daily Mirror said there would be no more bombs sent to MPs, "but there will be more to well-known people". He said Column 88 was waging a campaign against Jews. By yesterday evening, however, to similar packages. however, to had appeared

Dr Jacob Gewirtz, defence secretary of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, said

however that he believed the claims to be serious.

He said he thought all members of the Jewish community would be aware of the possibility of receiving a letter band, but he warned members of the public with Jewish-sounding names to be alert.

#### Medical units cheered by Senate reprieve

Health Services Correspondent acute work" Westminster Medical School vesterday welcomed the dedision of the London University Senate on Wednesday to abow the school to continue its independent existence.

Members of the hospital's, campaign committee said they thought it unlikely that the Senate's decision would be reversed at the University Court meeting next Wednesday.

They also welcomed the assurance given in the house of Commons on Monday by Dr. Gerard Vaughan, Minister for Health, that the Government had "never envisaged that this great hospital [Westminster]

The future of the medical school was threstened by the report of the Fowers commitreport of the Fowers commit-tee, which was at up by Lon-don University a save money on medical educance. It recom-mended in February that the medical school would close while the hospital was threa-ened by the report of the London Health Planning Con-sortium, published at the same time.

The university joint planning committee recommended that instead of claims. West-minster Medical School should merge with the Chains Cross Hospital Medical School. But proposals were rejected by the University Senate

Exmoor ponies being: auctioned for slanghter in the ring at Bampton Pair, north Devon, vesterday. Officials of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, the Ministry of Agriculture veterinary surgeons and representatives of animal.

ponies. Most of them were auctioned for between £100 and £170, and will end up as horsemeatdor the Continental market. They were bongfit by licensed ·laughtermen.

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watched the sale of 185

Only time coits with true Exmost pedigree were sold.

#### PC who los an arm told he must leave job

By Frances Gibb By Frances Gibb

The police constable who lost part of his right arm when a bomb exploded in his hand at Carford police station, senth Loidon, in May, has been discharged from his job with the Metropolitan Police.

Police Constable Stephen Hickling, aged 20, who was taid of, the decision on Tuesday, when he went for a routine medical examination, said 325

when he went to a medical examination, said 125-terday: "I am very bitter. I was assured that I would remain a policeman. It is the only jab I know and I think I have been shabbily treated."

PC Hickling who married his finices. Lorraine Copas, and 24, two weeks and had last returned from a honeymore in Crete. He had not been brek to write since the bomb filation which he also inferred damage to an ear and eye.

Scotland Yard said yesterday:

FC Stephen Hickling has been by the chief message officer and considering forces informed that despite carendaries force of such severity that is recently a team of aking will not be possible for him to tontinue as a pulseo officer.

"The Commissioner obliged to accept the select of his medical advices, but is anxious that PC Hicking should remain within the framework of the force.

"To provide the opportunity fer him to remain, he has been offered a position within the Commissioner's civil staff where there are ample career opportunities.

One such opportunity when he a jub as dog trainer at the Metropolizan Police dog-training centre on Reston, Kent. But yestorday PC Hickling said he was going to appeal against the discharge.

"I realized that I could probably not go back on beat But there are lots of other lots I could do, like working in the information room a Sca-land Yard. I am really choked."

#### Two clinics may defy Haughey 'Irish solution'

#### Risk of farce in contraceptive laws

Contraceptives will be legally on sale in the Irish Republic for the first time tomorrow, but with restrictions so severe that the exercise is in grave danger of becoming a farce

The Roman Catholic bishops are maintaining a chorus of moral indignation at the prospect of unnatural birth control becoming the norm, and the always acute sensitivity about suspected church pressure on the legislature has once more been aroused

The most definite thing that will be flouted. It raises many remitting controversy between churchmen, politicians, doctors, charmacists and the fledgling plans to do the same. feminist movement.

tail the availability of contraceptives, presently obtained with ease through eight voluntary family planning clinics that for several years have been in an ambiguous legal position. The legislation aims to en-

sure that only married couples get contraceptives by making it legally necessary to obtain a doctor's prescription that can he dispensed only by a bona fide pharmacist.

That would reduce the role

Judge suggests parole after

freely, or, as some clinics would prefer, they accept a donation in return for the supply of con-

Miss Dorothy Melvin, speaking for the family planning clinic in Galway, said: "The men who use our services have no intention of going along to a doctor as if they were prize bulls looking for a licence. The law provides for a £500 first fine for selling contraceptives illegally and £5,000 or a year in prison on a second

offence. But Miss Ann Connolly, direccan be said about the new tor of the Well Woman Clinic Family Planning Act is that it in Dublin, said the clinic would continue to sell contraceptives, unanswered questions, moral it has supplies for six months. eek a licence to operate within the terms of the Act. At least one other clinic

The law stipulates that impor-Its main ingredient is to curters will require a licence, all the availability of contra-which in theory applies to individuals who answer advertisements for postal deliveries from England. Doctors have different attitudes to the legislation and some will refuse to give prescriptions on religious grounds: the same applies to some pharmacists.

The clinics, according to the Department of Health vester-day, will be free to establish an arrangement with a proper chemist for the supply of contine f the family planning clinics traceptives and perhaps reach to counselling only, where at a financial understanding.

satisfies the clinics, who fear they will be forced out of business if the law is obeyed. That fear has in recent days created the unusual spectacle of long queues of people at the clinics

The questions critics of the Act ask include: "Will the Department of Health provide a list of doctors and chemists to prove they are not single? the doctors give prescrip-

tion.
The new legislation is an attempt to curb the wholesale import and sale of contracep-tives and is the product of Mr Charles Haughey, the Prime Minister, when he was Minister for Health. He commented: "It is an Irish solution to an Irish prob-

wanting to make bulk pur-

who are conscientions objectors to the provision of contracep tives, or will individual patients have to establish that for themselves? Will patients have to present a marriage certificate quantity of contraceptives will

Irish couples were forbidden by law to use contraceptives until the celebrated McGee case in the Supreme Court in 1973 in which it was decreed that a person was entitled to reasonable access to contracep-

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#### three months ht The threshold at which The isoners are eligible for bat arole should be drasticaly on drastical owered, Lord Jstice

" Waller, a Court of Appeal judge, said yesterday.

Addressing the annual meeting of the National Association for the Care and Resettlement

of Offenders he pointed out inequalities that could occur under the present system, which a prisoner became eligible for parole after serving a third of his sentence, or 12 months, whichever was the longer. In practice, because there is one-third remission in any event, parole applies only to those serving more than 18

Lord Justice Waller gave the example of two men convicted of a serious crime; one, a ring-leader, got three years' impri-somment, the other, who had played a relatively minor role, was sentenced to 18 months. The ringleader gets parole, and they are both released on the same day. the same day.

The same day.

He suggested that release on licence should be available after three months' improsinment had been served.

#### TV actor wins discharge

Earnings by Ian Hendry from the television series For Maddie With Love, helped to get the actor his immediate discharge actor his immediate discharge from bankruptcy yesterday.
In the 10 months since he was declared bankrupt, Mr Hendry, aged 49, of Heather Gardens, Golders Green, London, had earned £43,385, mostly from the television series. His main creditor, the Inland Revenue, will receive £30,000 of it, London Bankruptcy Court was told.

#### 'Now' to pay damages for libel on Spanish airline

the middle of the taxiway". Ltd, publisher of Now 1 magazine yesterday agreed to The article alleged that was Rodeos airport.
Mr Eady said that the article alleged that the Spanish inpay substantial damages and costs to the Spanish airline vestigators were wrong not to have made mention of the

Spantax in settlement of a High Court libel action.

Spantax had also sued Mr William Norris, who wrote an article in Now! Last May about in which 582 people died,
Mr David Eady, for the airline, told Mr Justice Taylor
that the article stated: When
a Convair 880 four-jet airliner
owned by the Spanish airline
Spanish Larries was Spantax landed, there was apparently no parking space

left, and no one to show the pilot past the next aircraft. In frustration, he closed down his engines and left the giant aircraft where it was—in

Revalued green pound urged to cut food bill

British shoppers would soon spend at least £8m a week more than necessary on food, the Consumers' Association said yester-day. It claimed that the Euro-pean Community's common agri-cultural policy made British prices excessive.

prices excessive.

Dr William Roberts, head of public affairs at the association, called on the Government to revalue the green pound. The rise in sterling meant that the value of the green pound to British farmers was increasing. The result would add f3m to £10m a week from Monday, he said. "British consumers are being denied just about the only henefit for them of a strong benefit for them of a strong

#### the accident. They apologized for the embarrassment caused Detained men inot wanted for Bologna blast

illegal parking by the Spantax

in that suggestion. Spantax did not own a Convair 880.

On the date in question only two aircraft belonging to Span-tax landed at Los Rodeos, but they had left well before the

Mr James Price, for the de

fendants. said they acknow-ledged that there was no Span-tax airliner in the vicinity of

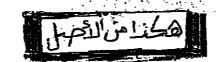
accident. They apologized

Two Italians held since Wed-nesday by Scotland Yard were not responsible for the Bologna railway station bomb massacre, although one was wanted for extradition to Italy over alleged terrorist offences, police said yesterday.

The other was being held at Rochester Row for questioning about another offence not connected with terrorism.

Police said on Wednesday night that extradition proceed-ings were likely, but the two were not taken to Bow Strect magistrates' court as expected yesterday.

"We are awaiting further information from Italy", police officer said.



# Artificial boom in Britain would First steps towards EEC fisheries policy lead to hyper-inflation and more unemployment-Mrs Thatcher

previously published of the pro-are certain aspects of the pro-aramuse where public expenditure

Mr Geoffrey Rippon (Hexham.
C) was cheered by Labour MPs
during Prime Mulster's question time when he said that there was danger of creating a society in which money lending was the only profitable business.

He had asked Mrs Margaret
Thatcher to confirm, in the light
of this morning's Cabinet meeting,
that control of the public sector that control of the public sector borrowing requirement and the money supply remained at the heart of Government policies.

The reason why both are rising so sharply (he said) is that the cost of public borrowing is so high and the cost of unemployment is and the because librerest rates are

mme where public expenditure increasing sharply, it means ire have to be reductions in other parts of the programme. But objective. Mr Michael Foot, Deputy Leader Mr Michael Foot, Deputy Leader of the Opposition (Ebbw Vale, Lab): If the Cabinet discussed this morning questions of further cuts in public expenditure, could Mrs. Thatcher tell us what they are?

What calculations were before the Cabinet about further increases in unemployment that would reunemployment that would rethe Cabinet about that would rein unemployment that would result from such cuts?

Mrs Thatcher: All aspects were
discussed and are regularly discussed by the Government. The
Government objective is to hold
to the public spending totals which
have already been published.

We d) not, I regret to say in
some ways, have the former Chancellor of the Exchequer's (Mr
Healey's) objective in mind when
he reduced public spending by
£5,000m in one year.

Mr Foot: She is responsible for Thatcher replied : I wholly Mrs Thatcher replied: I wholly agree that there must be no question of printing money to try to get an artificial boom which would lead ultimately to higher inflation, hyper inflation and higher unemployment.

We will not go in for printing exits money. I am every bit as auxious as he to try to get down interest rates. I much prefer them lower. The key to getting them down is to reduce the amount of borrowing in the economy and for that public spending must bear its share of the blow.

Mr Nicholas Lyell (Hemel Hempstead, C) had earlier asked Mrs Thatcher to use the weight of her authority in Cabinet to make sure measures to bring down public expenditure bore on proper control of pay and current spending and of pay and current spending and investment to the future.

Mrs Thatcher: It is much better E5,000m in one year.

Wir Foot: She is responsible for her own Cabinet. What are the Mrs Thatcher: The way to have longer term prospects for good jobs is to make the defeat of inflation one's top priority. Mr Arthur Davidson (Accrington, Lab): What my constituents want is jobs. Does she not feel sometimes ashamed that she has managed to bring record levels of unemployment in an area which has never known high unemployment before?

The way to is to try to the exchange own substanget interest & to the questially; that go secure reduction of trylenditure below tions in publiculd otherwise the levels woohain.

often goes to the private sector.

It is not always easy to do.

At the moment it is our objective to hold spending to the levels previously published. Because there are certain aspects of the proare certain aspects of the pro-Mrs Thatener: 10e key or jobs lies in keeping British Futry competitive. There is newly
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January 1, 1981. At the behest of the United Kingdom it had been agreed that it was necessary for the Commission regularly to monttor the manner in which member states were carrying out their enforcement duties so as to guarantee that there was a uniformity of the regulation ortenent contents of the regulation of application of the regulation involution the Community.

In a discussion of the criteria on which quota allocations should be based, he had reiterated in particular the need to make greater allowances for past losses of fishing opportunities in waters of third world countries.

There was also a need to discount from the historic record excessive catches of human consumption species taken in the industrial fishery.

The Commission had undertaken

longer they went on before reaching agreement the weaker the British negotiating position be-

the meeting on Tuesday in Luxembourg of the Council of isheries Ministers.

reached at the meeting on a draft control regulation, firmly estab-lishing that each member state

would be responsible for enforcement within its fishery limits and empowering the Commission to

lation to enter into force from January 1, 1981. At the beheat

was expected no concentrate on the armal quota allocations and also, at Mr Walker's insistence, on the question of access. on the question of screes.

Intensive preparations for the meeting, would meanwhile be undertaken by a committee consisting of senior officials from saing of sensor officials at the each member sountry.

Mr Roy Mason, thief Opposition spokesman on agriculture and fisheries (Barailey, Lab): Some little progress is being made towards a new common fisheries policy but we all recognize that these are small less controversal steps and the crunch is yet to come on share out and access. goes on before reaching agree-ment, the weaker our negotiating come, on share out and access-Would Mr. Walker be prepared to delay beyond January 1, 1981, the common fisheries policy, it the tast force is nor established and if a carch forced on him does not satisfy the industry and this force. concerned that only 31 per cent of the full catch has been offered in the United Kingdom. Our demand throughout has been for 45 per tent: Is he still

support of the rouge in another ling conservation measures, What thoughts are the Council of Ministers giving to provide help to those fishermen who are made redundant through no fault of their own, but through the full gamble of leaving liceland and of the structural package for the industry. Rightly, that comes at the end of the agenda after we know the position of quotas and

Mr Alan Beith (Berwice upon C)—His he had talks with the Tweed, L): What discussions Secretary of State for Defence in were there about the importance Pynn) about the resources which inshore fishermen to waters copportunity we now have which immediately off our coast? Was a melcome to look after policing any threat posed?

Mr Walker: No threat was posed. Who will pay? Will the coar We have had blisteral talks. The characteristic was coarse. Mr Walker: The rough and difficult part is quotas and access and nor matters so far agreed. On enforcement, it is essential we nave unanimity.

I started the idea that each member state should be responsible for enforcement within 200 mile limits and we have obtained that I considered on top of that that it was essential that the Com-

mission could see every member state emorce the rules in the same

we have had blisteral talks. The be shared amongst the while of important agreement at this Countries of the commanity regardless of the clist that we are not going to chest line and 200 mile limits discuss quotes alone, but at the Mr Walkes: I am another inext meeting quotes with access constant talks on this with Mr Patrick Wall 122pay tribute to those concerned the Navy and RAF for the remar ship fine job they have done over When in a negotiating position it is absurd to start talking about what we do if we do not get 12 to 50 mile limit for Britis fishermen?

For Walker: This is something well discuss at the next meetin in terms of access. Obviously, we are having bilathral talks wit interested countries.

spending which provided joos and investment for the future.
Mrs Thatcher: It is much better to make economies bear on the revenue side of the budget rather than on the capital side which Men were escorted from Tory conference

> from the Conservative Party conference at Brighton by the police were later released, Lord Belstead, Under Secretary, Home Office, said in answer to a question about

a report in The Times about the

had asked whether the Government's attention had been drawn

to a report in The Times of October 11 of proceedings at the

party conference in Brighton on

October 10 and, in particular, tu that part which read " One young

man near me was being dragged

from the hall unconscious after a pounding on the floor of the centre, aisle by security men in plain.

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good record on prices

Farming's

There was no Intention of revalu-ing the green pound, Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said during risteries and rout, Salu thing questions on increased food prices since May 1979.

Mr Walker (Worcester, C) stated:

In the 17 mouths between May 1979 and September 1980, food prices, as measured by the general index of retail prices, rose by 15.6 Index as a whole.

The House will be delighted to see that over the last three months the food price index has shown a

other industries had the same trace record as agriculture on price rises, productivity and lack of strikes, Britain would not be in the mess it is in.
Miss Joan Maynard (Sheffield, Brightside, Lab): There is a connexion between food prices and farm prices. Mr Walker made a speech at Wye College last week in which he said in 1960 we produced the cent of our food and are which he said in 1500 we produced 60 per cent of our food and are now approaching 80 per cent. In the last 20 years there has been a 150 per cent improvement in labour's productivity record in werage for industry. Wr Walker : There has been a sub stantial improvement in producti-vity and in wages in the agriculture

dustry, which is right for the anner in which that industry has been free of restrictive practices and Strikes.

Mr Colin Shepherd (Hereford, C):
British food producers have raised prices less than the rate of inflaprices less than the rate of infla-tion. That constitutes a remarkable track record for the industry. Mr Walker: Yes. The agriculture industry has made an enormous contribution in the battle against inflation.
Mr Roy Mason, chief Opposition
Mr Roy Mason, chief Opposition Mr Koy Mason, chief Opposition spokesman on agriculture (Barnsley Lab): Because of a series of green pound devaluations and the artificially high rate of sterling, there is now a United Kingdom positive compensatory amount of about 10 per cept.

about 10 per cept.

There is now a tax on food There is now a tax on food more which is likely to increase food prices by about 5 percent. It is time ministers considered a green pound revaluation that would reduce prices, give consumers a better deal and help tackle inflation. inflation. Mr Walker : I would like to correct some distorted comments made in-certain areas of the press; If I eradicated the whole of the present MCA advantage to Britain, the effect on the RPI would be one

effect on the RPI would be one third of 1 per cent. Headlines of an 8 or 9 per cent tax on food give a totally false impression.

An Opposition that constantly points out the disadvantage to industry of the high rate of sortling should not be disappointed because in agriculture there is a European mechanism which stops that taking place. in agriculture there is a European mechanism which stops that taking place.

Mr Mason: He says he has no intention of revaluing the green pound. If this continues; he is bound to agree, in the annual price review to a general food price in the same of the sa

review to a general formal increase.

Mr Walked: In terms of price reviews there have always been discussions upon the relativity of MCAs and prices and I am sure they will take place at the coming price review. I have no intention of devaluing the green pound.

Prison mail

Mr Leon Brittan, Minister of State, Home Office, in a written reply, said: We are considering changes in the regulations on correspon-dence to and from prisoners in England and Wales in the light of discussions with the Engrosen Lugisque and wates in the light of discussions with the European Commission of Human Rights which are confidential to the parties involved. At this stage it would be premature to publish details.

Call for better potatoes Mr Alick Buchanan-Smith, Minis-ter of State for Agriculture, Fish-eries and Foud, said during questions that he accepted there was scope for further action to improve the quality of British poratoes on sale.

Proposals to restore Parliament to centre of political stage

reforms and these proposals give the House another opportunity to adapt itself to the needs and signs of the time in an evolutionary but

store Parliament to the centre of the political stage. The oppor-

tunity has been given by the Government, but how far that opportunity is taken depends now on the attitude of MPs themselves.

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Mr Merlyn Rees, for the Opposition (Leeds, South, Lab) said the
report of the Home Affairs Select
Committee on the "Sus" laws
showed the great value of such
committees. Their role was an
evolving one. There was an overlap
in the work of many committees
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select committee at the beginning of the next session to examine the whole of their present procedures reforms of parliamentary proce-dure was to refress the imbalance which had developed between Whitehall and Westminster, Mr Norman St John-Stevas, Chancellor whole or their present processes for considering and writing on Government requests for supply.

The effectiveness of this in the future must be one of the principal concerns of all those who cared for the maintenance and strengthening of their professorators without of the Duchy of Lancaster and Leader of the House, (Chelmsford, C), said, opening a debate on or their parliamentary system.

The range of matters within this review would include procedures for the examination of departmental estimates, supply day procedures procedures for the consideration of Consolidated Fundand the Appropriation Bill.

The range of the range constitutes. the hisory of the House. Forto-day, the House has an opportunity oay, the House has an opportunity to complete its work in relation to the epoch-making report on proce-dure which was published just over two years ago by the Select Com-mittee on Procedure under the chatemachin of Sir Thomas Wilchairmanship of Sir Thomas Wil-liams (Warrington, Lab).

Mr Walker: On these vague pro-nouncements about the industry's know i fears I meet them before and at access.

had made a dynamic contribution which had affected not only the Westminster scene but the White-hall scene, too. Their influence was felt throughout the Government. Many MPs found the line by line scrutiny of legislation in standing committee an inadequate means of

We have in mind (he said) that next session we should undertake an experiment with the new proce-The motion provided that the experiment be undertaken for a experiment be undertaken for a single session but it might need to

He would expect government

departments and interested outside organizations would be invited to give evidence under the new comiittee system. An important recommendation concerned a new standing commit-tee procedure on EEC documents. The House had not found the exist-The House had not found the existing procedure satisfactory and the
procedure committee had sugtested detailed changes.

It was proposed, that a debate
should take place as an amendable
motion on Community documents,
and that up to two gnd a half hours
should be allowed for this. Such a

should be allowed for this. Such a discussion at a responsible time of day was a considerable improvement of the procedures.

Financial control of the House of Commons could in the long run prove perhaps the most important. sphere of all.

We have (he went on) our means of controlling financial matters: the budget debate, the Finance Bill, the Consolidated Fund Bill, the Appropriation Bill, the estimates. These are the great events of the Commons' fluancial year. But it is also true that much of the control in relation to the estimates is formal rather than real. There is often no detailed scrutiny of estimates. mates.
The procedure committee recom-

mended that departmental esti-mates, including supplementary estimates, should be referred to the departmental select commit-tees. Action had been taken to provide the committees with proof provide the committees with proof copies of supplementary estimates and he hoped the committees would make use of this material.

More important than these particular recommendations was that the procedure committee recognized that the system by which the House controlled supply was in need of radical review. He shared that view and so did the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

The proposal accordingly provided for the establishment of a

Mr Julius Silverman (Birmingham, Brdington, Lab) said-she scrutiny committee of European legislation believed shat if a minister came to a decision in Brussels before there had been a debate in the House he should not only give the House his reasons for that decision but should explain them orally said he welcomed the recommenda-tion on special standing commit-tees. The legislation Parliament

He wanted to loosen the vice. He would do anything which would release the gris that the party system of government, had on the present method of conducting parliamentary affairs. Thet was one of the important reasons, why standing committees should be given both the power to call evidence and the power to instruct advisers.

Mr. Michael English (Nottingham, West, Lab) said the content of legislation was airloctous. The drafting methods were fat behind those used in some other countries where legislation ser out the sub-

**Assisted** school placesplan approved

chianter decision to require to ano a child to moved, where they wer unable to provide the opportun-ties for the particular subject in child wished to study and whit was available through the assiste plates scheme. I might have to consider taking reserve powers i the future, though at the momer detail of we perhaps to be designed to the depart of the concerned.

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The Opposition accused the Germanest of introducing a sche that would rob the public purse index to support the acres affluent. The scheme was not tended to help the briefs of from a poor home. It would be those who were already seek private places.

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#### EEC debates dominate next week's agenda

The main husiness in the House of Commons next week will be: Monday: Motion on Community document on aids for milk and pig production. Motion on National Dock Labour Board (Increase of Loans Limit) Order. Twesday: Motion on EEC draft directive on product liability. Motion on proposal for a Com-munity driving deence. Wednesday: Civil Aviation Bill Lords amendments. Proceedings on Tenants' Rights Etc (Scotland). (Amendment) Bill, and consideration of Lords message on Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill.

The main business in the House of

Thursday: Debate on report of Burgoyne Committee on offshore safety Friday: Motions on common agri-culture policy orders on protection of Community arrangements, sheep variable premium, and on load consumer protection propo-. The main business in the House

Monday: Broadcasting Bill, report stage. Tuesday: Education (Assisted Places) Regulations and Highways (Road Humps) Bill, third reading. Wednesday: Local Government, Planning and Land (No 2) Bill, third reading. Planning and Land (No 2) Bill, third reading.

more members of the academy but only one official normine has falled to become president in the 116-year history of the urganization.

of Lords will be:

#### Science report

US: Role of national academy

By Chive Cookson.
of The Times Higher Education
Supplement
Washington
The next president of the National
Academy of Sciences (NAS) is
almost certain to be Dr Frank
Press, who has been President
Carter's science adviser since 1977.
The academy's nominating tom
mittee has chosen tim and, if all
goes according to plan, he will be The academy's monatoring the mittee has chosen him and, if air mittee has chosen him and, if air goes according to plan, he will be formally homilasted by the week and then states Government, Federal agent cles provide 90; per cent of its 255m (about £110m) annual budget, and most of the 300 NAS budget, and most of the 300 NAS produced each year are Dr Press, a distinguished geo-physicist from the Massachusets institute of Technology, has had more infuence within the White House than previous science advisers, and he has made sure that President Carter stuck to his commitment to facrease support for scientific research, despite all the competing demands on the fed-eral budget. At 56; Dr Bress is young enough to serve two six year reports produced each year are evaluations of specific scientific and technological issues for the

Philip Handler.
The election of Dr Press is not

quite a foresome conclusion. Another candidate could in theory be nominated by a group of 50 or more members of the academy but

and technological issues for the Government.

The Expansion has provoked complainty: that Dr., Handley allowed the ecidenty to grow the fast and do too much. The standard of ks work has fallen, the origin say, because too many of its 1,900 commitment lack intellectual onality of balance. young enough to serve two six-year 1,000 communicates lack in terms at the head of the academy, quality or ballene...

like the teliting president Dr Twice this year-the-academy. quality or balance.

Twice this year-the ecademy has been embarrassed by accreations from the news media, congress and politically acres screenists, that important reports have been biased or technically flawed. One was the report produced by the Committee on Nuclear and Alternative Energy Systems (Conaes), after four years of deliberations, which dismissed the medium-term commercial via-

Under Dr Handler the NAS has espanded enbrumonsty. Today, with 1.100 full time staff and 9,000 partime committee mombers, it dwarfs his British counterpart, the Royal keeping to relations disaster was a report of eminent scientary.

Aithough the academy still serves as a minimal sciente, its most important function now is aposerve as a conting of consultant to the United States Government. Federal agencies provide 90; per cent of its reports produced each year are evaluations, of specific scientific and most of the 300 NAS reports produced each year are evaluations, of specific scientific and most is sues for the Consultants.

Dr Press has given no p. Cluze actions and technological issues for the Consultants.

Dr Press has given no p. clues about his artitude to suggestion that the NAS shout stimmed down a bit, or brabout my aspect of its operatile is a cautious, modest man. a horror of controversy, an appearance of controversy, an appearance adviser in the property of the property of the controversy well to bine his twin loyalties to Mr C and to American science: Dr. Hindler by Contrast I more aggressive finance un administration has been desc as autocratic. His character American science abroad example in his stron again's suppression of dissident scientists but it has made en.

# Of the 30 children who rd Belstead: The obvious thing deemed to be in need of spdo on being asked a question of education at the age of ses kind was to get in touch with cducation at the age of ses people who escorted the two 23 did not eventually needing men from the ball. That was while three quarters of tl. Sussex police. It was on that who were later judged to batact that my replies were based.

aged seven identified as like cells fevel to tail educationally were in the test at the age of 13

New discass victim

A man is in hospital at Ennistonal Loans Fund, Loans Fu

HOME NEWS\_\_\_\_\_

#### Killing of tubercular badgers by gas is to be resumed

griculture correspondent.

The killing of diseased adgers with cyanide gas must e resurted as soon as possible, he Government announced esterday. It decided to act fter receiving a warning that aberculosis in badgers could aread in humans.

griculture, Fisheries and ood, from Lord Zuckerman, M. FRS, the former chief lentific adviser to the government, who is president of the oological Society of London. The human risk is enor-ously important". Lord ekerman said at a press conrence in London resterday, a knew of no case in which a disease had been transferred om a badger to man, "But ithout doubt it could happen, ay creature that gets tuber-doss the way the badger gets could cross-infect a human

government merday to accept all of his gestions for improving the mpaign to reduce tuberculosis noise badgers by killing exted animals. The campaign secret animals. The campaign secret as suspended a year ago after the campaign secret by animal welfare

ched serious levels among levels. The campaign began the 1970s when the Governnt became convinced that lgers were the source of erculosis in cartle.

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> Hetto fears 'partially s refugees rop English stripped'

he majority of adult Viet-iese refugees admitted to am from Honkong receive lequate English language sing once they leave recepcamps and move into their homes, according to a new ey of the resettlement pro-

eliminary results from the ey, which covered more 1,500 boat people, were ented vesterday to a joint le Office committee conating resettlement.

airty per cent of refugees 17 and over were receiving inglish lessons and a further er cent less than two hours ek Fewer than 15 per cent receiving the 10 hours a regarded as the minimum: ssary if the refugees were to regress into linguistic

a Vietnamese were keenly the importance of ish. Almost seven tenths of e not on any training se listed language training heir most essential educa-

e study, by the Ockenden ure, one of the three vol-ry organizations involved he admission he admission programme, irms fears that local authorities, coupled with the Office policy of dising" refugees throughout country, seriously threatens ability to cope by them-

inguage was the key to integration, yet many being rehoused in rural with little previous exnce of immigrants.

whether the campaigners were right in claiming that badgers had not been shown to be the source of the disease in cattle.

He said in his report that he Government announced esterday. It decided to act feer receiving a warning that berculosis in badgers could read to humans.

The warning appeared in a sport commissioned by Mr eter. Walker, Minister of griculture, Fisheries and cod. from Lord Zuckerman, M. FRS, the former chief ientific adviser to the government has accepted.

The Said in his report that badgers were definitely the source and defended ministry staff in the west of England who have been criticized in recent years by animal welfare groups. Ministry scientists are to be commended for having set about their work in the way of all good and experienced scientists. Lord Zuckerman added.

The Government has report that badgers were definitely the source and defended ministry staff in the west of England who have been criticized in recent years by animal welfare to be commended for having set to

The Government has accepted Lord Zuckerman's plea for staff at the Chemical Defence Estabat the Chemical Defence Establishment at Porton Down, Wiltshire, to investigate better gassing methods. "We should, if possible discover a better way of disseminating cyanide gas throughout the runnels and chambers of a set than by blowing in particles of cyanide preparations, as at present."

parations, as at present."

One in four badgers in some areas in the South-west had the disease. If diseased animals were not eliminated the entire British badger population, hundreds of thousands of animals, could be come extinct.

People who found dead badgers anywhere in the country, should tell local ministry staff so that the carcass could be tested for the disease. Lord t will resume in south-west Zuckerman said he was worried gland where the disease has about the keeping of badgers

about the second as pets.

Mr Walker asked farmers not to kill suspected badgers. He said that the ministry would review its policy on badger disease in three years.

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# Woman PC

resulted in a policewoman being partially stripped, magistrates at Weymouth were told yester

day. The rugby players, some dressed as American foot ballers and others as cheer leaders, hoisted Woman Police Constable Anne Pitman, aged 22, onto their float, undid her skirr zip and tried to pull it down in front of thousands of people at Weymouth's annual August carmival.

The behaviour of the four accused Weymouth Rugby Club members and their guest was described as "rude, loutish and ungentlemanly", by Mr Patrick Butler, for the prosecution. The five deny assaulting WPC Pitman in the execution of he duty and damaging her skirt They also object to being bound

over to keep the peace. They are the club secretary, Stephen Downton, of Cocklands, Cherminster; and players Stuart Bass, aged 20, of Derby Street, Weymouth; Airhur Fisher, aged 29, of Purbeck Lodge, Lower Putton Lane, Chickerall Weymouth; and

Chickerell, Weymouth; and Gregory Scholfield, aged 36, of Franchise Street, Weymouth.

The guest was Donald Philpot, aged 23, of Goldcroft Road, Weymouth, who the prosecution allege lifted the policewoman off her feet "like a honeymoon bride" and handed her up to

his friends on the float. WPC Pitman was shown a photograph taken at the carnival and she admitted she was laughing. " As I was being car ried I may have laughed and giggled with embarrassment", The hearing continues today.

#### ace body is to investigate ouncil's hiring policy

llegations that Westminster / Council may have discrimi-ed against blacks by refusing employ them as dustmen in ts of the borough are to be ually, investigated by the unission for Racial Equality. he inquiry, believed to be first of its kind into the sloyment practices of a local sority, will also look at the played by a branch of the ional Union of Public Emices (NUPE). The allega-

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ing Wednesday night, causdamage estimated at more a £100,000 to classrooms and may thereby be guilty of racial

say they will cooperate fully with the investigation. "Discrimination in the manner alleged would never be condoned or supported by the union, NUPE said yesterday. The council said yesterday.

The council said in had a clearly defined and publicly declared policy of non-discrimination in its employment procedures. The best candidate for a job was appointed, regardless of race, colour, creed, religion

discrimination.

The union and the council

#### More of England's vintners are getting bottled

England's vinters have produced this year twice as many quality wines as last year. The English Vineyards Asso-

ciation's seal of approval has gone to 16 wines compared with eight last year. But there has been an uneven harvest, with good yields in some areas and disaster in others.

Mr John Ward of the Merry-down. Wine Company, who is chairman of the English Vine-yards Association, said: "Some people are doing well this year and others very badly. We have

had three meagre summers and still people are not being put off. The industry is growing." While some vineyards have been affected badly, the general rule has been that those farther

east fared better. The area under vines in England has grown from 10 acres in 1967 to nearly 900 today.

to nearly sto today. Each acre can produce six tons of fruit and one ton of fruit can yield 900 bottles of wine. When crops are good, running one of England's 230 vineyards can make sound sense at £2.50 a bottle upwards.

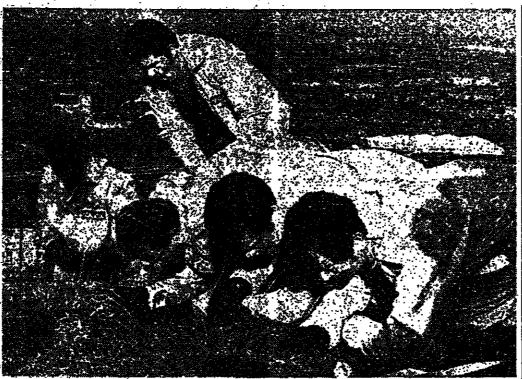
#### New kidneys after poison

By Our Medical Correspondent Two men poisoned by a rare variety of mushroom have had to have kidney transplants, a report in The Lancet says today. it adds that the fungus is not listed as dangerous in many books or warning posters.

The orange-gilled mushroom, Cortinarius speciosissimus, grows in damp pine forests. Three holidaymakers in northern Scotland in August, 1979,

picked some of the mushrooms and ate them in a stew. All began vomiting two days later and after 10 days the men were admitted to the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary with kidney

The third, a woman, aged 25, had a diuresis after eight days and recovered completely. In the men, aged 30 and 31, the kidney failure persisted and after nine months both had transplant operations. transplant operations.



who say they gave them away more than 10 Harry Frost, aged 34, unemployed labourer, at Dewsbury police headquarters.

In brief

Scottish puma

not so wild'

Mr Ted Noble, the farmer

was extremely well fed and seemed tame. Mr Orsel said. The

big cat "seems accustomed to being in a cage" and had allowed people to scratch its

Five people, killed when their car was in collision with a lorry on the A483 near Ammanford, South Wales, were named last night as Mr Jeffrey Tucker, aged 45; Mr Gordon Rees, aged 51; Mr John Davies, aged 52; and Mr Herbert Lewis, aged 37; all of Ammanford.

Trains could be running

again in the spring over the worm-damaged Barmouth Via-

duct on the Cambrian coast line

running north from Machyu-

lleth, the Shrewsbury-Aberyst-

Police Sergeant Mick Hayden, who is understood to have re-

out being armed, has been sus-

pended by Hertfordshire Police pending disciplinary proceed-

The Festival of Light has asked the Charity Commission-ers to rule whether the National

Theatre Board has broken its responsibilities as a charity in staging The Romans in Britain.

A mentally handicapped woman aged 23 was found dead

woman aged 25 was found used in bushes at Alexandra Park, South Harrow, London, yester-day. She had suffered severe injuries.

A woman aged 22 was found bludgeoned to death yesterday in the room she had rented

for only a week in Romford Road, Forest Gate, east London. She was fully clothed.

Employers' leaders in the Irish Republic accepted with

reservations last night a national wages plan allowing pay rises totalling 16 per cent over the next 15 months.

Army bomb experts yesterday blew up a car parked at the Royal Pioneer Cirps camp in Northampton. The car was later declared "clean". The owner was traced to Luton

Irish pay deal agreed

Car blown up

Bludgeoning death

Woman dead in park

fused to enter a house Stevenage to arrest a man with

New attack on play

Sergeant suspended

Coast trains hope

told yesterday.

Crash kills five

Search for children: West Yorkshire police and his wife, Betty, aged 33, in High Street, combing the Caulms Wood area yesterday. Hanging Heaton, Dewsbury, where another in their search for the lost babies of a couple police team is continuing to dig The new search area overlooks Batley, where neighwho say they gave them away more than 10 bours say the couple often walked their dog years ago (our Leeds Correspondent writes). Forty officers are involved in both It is half a mile from the cottage of Mr searches. The Frosts are being interviewed

#### Unions sue over freeze on Whitehall pay reports

By Our Labour Staff Civil Service unions have

Mr Ted Noble, the farmer who captured a puma in the Scottish Highlands, may be the victim of a hoax, Mr Eddie Orbel director of the Highland Wildlife Park said yesterday.

The puma had been out in the wilds for less than a week, started legal action against the director of the Pay Research Unit to force the release of the reports which indicate in-creases due to civil servants and which are being withheld after the Government's decision to suspend the pay comparability system.

> Reports from the unit were due to be delivered to the unions and the Government on November 15, and would contain the results of comparisons lar posts in the private sector. Union leaders believe that they would have shown that in- to the Government

creases of between 12 per cent and 20 per cent would be nec-Civil Service pay.

The Government has suspended the pay research system for this year and has said that cash limits will be used to regulate pay increases to 500,000 white-collar civil ser-

Announcing that legal action had been started against Mr Vernon Morgan, the unit's director, Mr William Kendall, secretary general of the Council of Civil Service Unions, said the Pay Research Unit reports would be highly embarrassing

Delayed report will invite politicians into minefield

#### Pressure on team assessing public sector inflation-proofed pensions

Members of the independent inquiry into the value of inflation-proofed public-sector pen-sions, established by the Prime Minister in May, met this week with a renewed sense of urgency after pressure from the Government to speed up its work.
In commissioning the fiveman team under the chairman-ship of Sir Bernard Scott, chairman of Lucas Industries, Mrs Margaret Thatcher said she hoped its investigation would be completed by the end of

Even with a quickened tempo, its report will not be with the Prime Minister before the end ters are acutely aware, a rash headlines and parliame questions can be expected to greet the 16.5 per cent increase due to be paid from November 24 to 3,700,000 public servants

Next month's rise, reflecting movements in the retail price index between November 1978 and November 1979, will add £367m to the £2,435m bill for public-service pensions payable under the 1971 Act to produce a new total of £2.802m.

The Scott inquiry's terms of reference are to judge whether the value of inflation-proofed pensions and job security are taken into account sufficiently in deductions made from pay awards to allow for them. Its relatively dry remit precludes it from pronouncing on the emotive matter of whether such benefits should be available to public employees in an era of high to hyper-inflation.
One reason for the slippage

in the inquiry timetable is that Sir Bernard and his colleagues recognize that matters are not as simple as they sometimes seem from the Conservative backbenches. They realize their report will be an invitation for ministers to step into a political

As the accompanying table shows, the 1971 Acr includes among its beneficiaries not just groups like civil servants and local government employees, for whom there is scant support on

Armed Forces Civil Service Police and fire Local governme

Government's benches. Removing from them the protec-tion of inflation-proofing would incur minimal political penal-

Tampering with identical arrangements enjoyed by the armed forces and the police, who have been treated as a special case by the Government for pay purposes, could not be achieved without repercussions. Nor would unbooking the pensions of doctors and nurses, who receive much public sympathy, from the retail price index be a simple task.

Without a shred of advocacy or special pleading the paper presented to the Scott inquiry by Sir John Herbecq, Second Permanent Secretary to the Civil Service Department, makes such difficulties clear.

Once Sir Bernard has re ported, the politics of publicservice pensions will probably unravel inside the Cabiner's Economy (Civil Service)

Committee.

The dilemma ministers will face is whether it would be possible to strip inflation. proofing from civil servants and local government officers while making a special case of soldiers, policemen, nurses, doctors and others enjoying public and parliamentary

Whitehall expects Sir Bernard to suggest that the Gova higher value on inflation-proofing in advising the Gov-

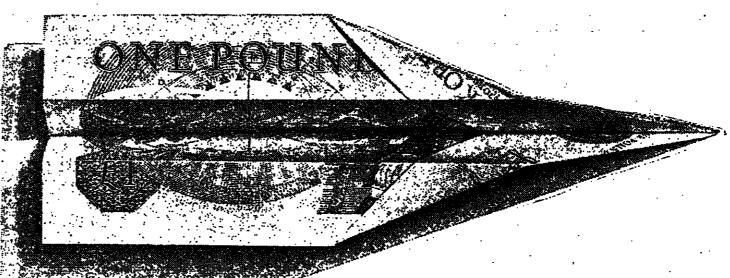


Sir Bernard Scott: Complicated task.

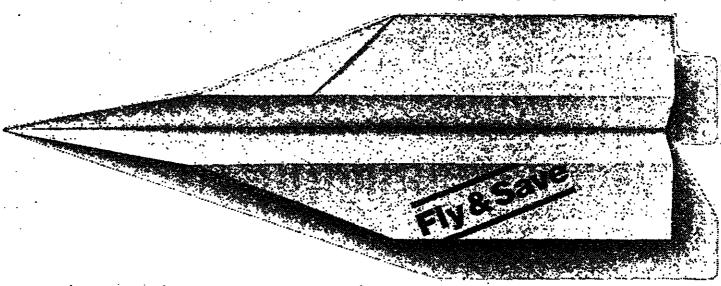
to be docked from settlements to cover it. It is likely, too, that the Scott report will recommend a mechanism for limiting inflation-proofing in years of hyper-inflation.

That might involve a cut-off point of, say, 10 per cent, with Parliament having the final say on whether the Exchequer could afford to top up pensions above that level. In such circumstances, full inflationfor the bulk of public-service pensioners who receive small

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such a small price?



#### WEST-EUROPE

### backs EEC parliament's power

From Michael Hornsby Brussels, Oct 30

The power of the European Parliament to delay adoption of EEC laws has been greatly reinforced by a judgment handed down yesterday by the European Court of Justice.

In an important ruling that sets a precedent, it nullified a regulation adopted last year by the Council of Ministers because the Council had not waited to hear the Parliament's opinion before putting it in to

The Council, representing the EEC states, had argued that the Parliament had taken too long to give its opinion and that it had no right to intervene in a case before the court. The nine judges found against the Council on both counts. In their summing-up they said the Council's duty to con-

sult the Parliament was "an essential element of the instituessential element of the institu-tional equilibrium required by the Treaty of Rome". This duty could not be held to have been fulfilled simply by the council asking the Parliament for its

Answering the charges of time wasting by the Parliament, the court said the Council had failed to exhaust all the possi-bilities open to it, such as requesting a special session of the Parliament

The regulation in question taxed production of iso-glucose, a sugar substitute. It was designed to protect EEC sugarbeet growers.

The case started when a West German manufacturer appealed against the regulation in the Court of Justice. The Parliament also decided to intervene. The court dismissed the West German company's case, but up-held that of the Parliament.

The ruling is likely to encourage it to be more assertive and to be less worried about taking time giving opinions on laws it disapproves of. Ultimately, the Parliament has no

Several states, in particular rance and Britain, have expressed concern about the Parliament and see it as a tire-some constraint on the Council's freedom of action.

They are worried that if the Council cannot now act with-out the Parliament's opinion, even when a request for one bay gone without reply for several months, the assembly's powers of delay could amount to a veto where a law would lose much

In 1066 or thereabouts Harold

Godwinson was warned by the

astrologers that there were hard

times ahead. They had seen a

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nomers have since identified the bright light as being what is now known as Halley's Comet, which is next due to make its

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### Court ruling Italian leader wins confidence vote. by realistic approach

Rome, Oct 30

The new Government led by Signor Arnaldo Forlani received its accolate last night of a vote of confidence from the Senate and can be regarded today as afloat, or already awash in deeply troubled waters, which ever way one reads the signs around Italy's fortieth postwar government.

Tomorrow the Prime Minister will call the Cabinet together to decide on the economic measures thought necessary to meet the threat of inflation and growing unemployment.

From the beginning of this.

first effort at leading a govern-ment, Signor Forlani took the approach of trying to look realistic rather than imaginative. It was a wise course. He is not personally a particularly colourful personality but he has a reputation for steady, good sense and a certain diffidence to become entangled with the unpredictable as he showed most clearly

able, as he showed most clearly in the summer of last year when he refused the invitation to form a government when it was offered to him for the first Last night in the Senate his

Last night in the Senate his warning was, for a man of his cool personality, much more dramatic: he reminded the senators that the edge of the precipice is no comfortable path to be walking along, as the fates of Chile and Turkey had shown. His more apocalyptic stand last night followed the emergence of two factors totally alien to his hope of a staid but factual approach to the coun-

try's two-year old law on abortion. The second was the emergence of a new scandal threatening the Government

parties, in particular his own Christian Democrat Party. The scandal-concerns alleged tax evasion by oil companies said to amount to the immense sum of 2,000,000m lire (£1,000m), an operation said to

have been carried out with the ective connivance of officials who in turn were covered by leading politicians. In the course of the Senate debate yesterday, Signor Giorgio Pisano, the far right-wing senator, accused Signor Antonio Bisaglia, the Minister for Industry, of direct involve-

ment in the scandal.

At the same time he accused close associates of Aldo Moro, the murdered former Prime Minister, of having exploited the late leader of the Christian Democrats to make use of money taken from oil importers to buy estates for themselves in north-eastern and central Italy. Signor Bisaglia immediately denied the charges both pub-licly and privately Signor Flaminio Piccoli, the

Christian Democrat Party secretary, rejected the charges against Moro with his state-ment: "There are those who want him killed a second Tomorrow the Rome Public

Prosecutor is expected to question one of Moro's former associates, Signor Sereno Freato, who is alleged to have factual approach to the country's problems.

First his socialist allies attacked the Pope for allegedly interfering in Italian affairs by

#### Brussels seeks New Year ban on hormones in meat

Brussels, Oct 30

A ban on the use of all hormones in the rearing of cattle, pigs and pourity has been proposed by the European Commission to effect from January

EEC ministers of agriculture asked for a proposals on these lines last month in response to a public outery in Italy, France and Belgium over the alleged health hazards, including a higher risk of cancer, associated with the use of sex hormones

Rules, often strict ones, exist in all EEC countries on the use or hormones in mear production, but they are enforced with varying degrees of thoroughness and in some cases scarcely at all. Some countries also draw a distinction between natural and artificial

Under the Commission's pro-

## From Our Own Correspondent to fatten animals before

The Commission also says that trade in live animals and fresh meat containing more than a certain quantity of hormone residues should be prohibited.

renewed. It was agreed today that the Soviet Union would

provide the launcher for a joint

probe to investigate the famous heavenly body when it next

came the retirement home of a

Corsican who failed to do what William the Conqueror had

done.
In all events the Franco-

posal, member states would have to ensure that animals or meat treated illegaly with hormones were confiscated and destroyed and those responsible punished The only exception to the ba would be the use of natural

hormonal substances for therepeutic purposes in strictly con-

Trailblazer to next Halley's comet the British Astronomer Royal the first to launch French from 1720-1742, is now to be balloons over Venus—an approximately and clear it wish March 1881. priate planet for romantic France to investigate; and the

econd to fly through the centre of the comet sometime in February 1986.
The balloons above Venus are to study the atmosphere of the planet. The Halley probe is to try to find out more about the mystery of this phenomenum. The cost to France of joining in the experiment will be 150m Details of the project have been worked out over the past

10 days at the Soviet space capital of Bakou in Azerbaid-jan. The space partnership between the two countries is already well advanced with the Soviet agreement to take a French cosmonaut into space to work on a salyut space station.

#### Official killed hours after new anti-terrorism law

France joins Soviet space mission

bright light in the sky and that, they told him meant things could only change for the worse.

As Harold found to his cost, the astrologers were right and the astrologers were right and the sky was since he had been said to the could be that. French interest in the comet further derives from the fact that Edward Halley first made a name for himself with the observations which he made said the said that the observations which he made the said that the observations which he made the said that the observations which he made the said that the sai

Tapestry as part of the history about 139 years before it be-

regular 75-yearly appearance shove Earth in 1986. Soviet probe to-find out more about the comet will be some-

Comet, which was named after It will have a double mission:

French interest in Halley's thing of a trailblazer in space.

From Richard Wigg Madrid, Oct 30

The Spanish parliament passed a new anti-terrorism law last night empowering the security authorities to suspend civil liberties in cases involving people suspected of being The vote was well beyond the

two thirds majority required for such a measure, the socialists and communists voting with leg the government benches.
But only a few hours later

terrorists struck again in the linked with tecrorist bands can-Basque country assassinating a now be held, incommunicado if second official of Spain's tele-required for an extra seven phone company as he was serving in the bar he owns in San Sebastian.

# coa, last week was accompanied

by a warning from terrorists that they would "punish" tele-phone tappings with further killings.

The vote in the Cortes was 298 for the new law against two, with sight abstentions from the Basques. The left-wing parties expressed discomfort at voting the law but said the con-tinuing wave of terrorism in the Basque country made it un-avoidable.

People suspected of being required for an extra seven days, depending on a magis-trate's decision, beyond the 72 an Sebastian.

A similar killing, in Guipuz constriction.

#### French MPs in protest over death penalty From Our Own Correspondent Paris, Oct 30

Deputies opposed to the death penalty rejected the Justice Ministry Budget in the National Assembly. But the vote was token and there is no likelihood of the ministry failing to receive its funds, which include money

its tunds, which include money to maintain the guillotine.

M Philippe Maurice was sentenced to death on Tuesdey for the murder of a policeman.

M Alain Peyrefitte, the Justice Minister said it was not the time, "when policemen are being shot every day just as rabbits", to propose abolition of the death penalty.

A policeman was seriously A policeman was seriously wounded last night and in a bank raid in Lyons yesterday a security guard was killed.

## Security meeting mood changes

From Harry Debelius Madrid, Oct 30 adrid, Oct 30 Mr Michael Robinson, a Western diplomats noted "an British spokesman, said: "Dur-

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Madrid probably had as much to do with provoking the shower of metaphore as the fact that yesterday's sessions were suspended because no delgate that yesterday's session overtage of what a spokesman for le Soviet delegation called "an the schedule.

Time was the real issue. The

d mar Mr John Treacy, a spokes clear the fog . . . to clarify papers nan for the United States dele- whether the Soviets are really

rinarive towards understanding the agenda" tabled by Mr representatives who will take ubinin. It was not clear what part in the conference were

tion of time, after two months of disagreement and with 12

days to go.
The East European countries remained in favour of strictly limiting the time available to discuss the implementation of the Helsinki agreement of 1975 and to bring up new proposals. The West, continued to press for ample time for discussion and proposals. The Soviet Union would like

to put the emphasis on dis-armament, limiting the atten-tion which could be given to such issues as Afghanistan and the treatment of dissidents in the Soviet Union. Western strategy appears to be directed towards focusing world opinion on Soviet intervention in Afghanistan and to the extent which the signatories of the Helsinki agreement have lived up to their promises to respect

#### plans. for internal alliance

Polish party

Warsaw, Oct 30

On the face of it, the Polish leaders' visit to Moscow does not strike as a last-minute panic decision. It seems more likely that they wished to discuss and explain and probably argue their case as they embark on what is a decisive stage at which the party and the unions will have to strike an under-

The authorities need cooperation which they were clearly not geting unil now. They also need to establish the minimum of trust which has been lacking and is still lacking. Yesterday's announcement by

the Politburo was in fact an pledge that the Gdansk agreements will be implemented as well as an order to all regional party organizations to speed up

the process.

The Polithuro proposed practical measures in the form of a permanent commission, presum ably of government and union representatives to be set up rather than to be assembled ad hoc to settle conflicts.

There is little room for manoeuvre for both the authori.

A commentator said: "Polish-Soviet cooperation is a deter-mining factor for the settlement of Poland's current prob-lems". This is staring the obvious, but in a situation

where the authorities are deeply mistrusted and cannot even put the message across that the country is in grave economic difficulties, it becomes necessary to make the obvious point. Another Polish commentator wrote that Poland needed Soviet cooperation today more than ever before.

The union leaders who are due to begin talks with Mr Jozef Pinkowski, the Prime Minister, tomorrow have mixed feelings about the Moscow visit but on the whole most of them feel that it was necessary. Mr Stanislaw Kania, the party leader, had to win sup-port for the Polish stance of accepting independent unions as a partner in Poland's newly-emerging internal alliance. The Czechs and the East Ger-

mans are clearly of different minds and yesterday the head of Czechoslovakia's trade unions expressed "full confidence" that in Poland the trade union movement would "follow the Leninist path". The Poles are extremely

the Poles are extremely sensitive to frequent speculation in Western media, which is then played back over various Western radio stations, about the possibility of Soviet interference and the likelihood of Soviet interference and the likelihood of Soviet interference and the likelihood of Soviet invasion A high-ranking official of the Polish Foreign Ministry has said that this might increase hostility towards the Soviet Union which makes such speculation extremely dangerous
But at the same time the
Polish authorities profess to be satisfied with the Western official attitude on the whole.
The visit of Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, demonstrates Poland's interestin maintaining good relations with the West and in particular

with Britain, although Britain is only fourth on Poland's list of foreign trade. British viewpoint: Poland's destiny is a matter for the Poles alone to decide, Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secre-tary, strongly emphasized on the second day of his visit to Warsaw. In a statement to the press the said the British Government's position was un-

happens in Poland is a matter for the Polish people, He expressed the hope that other governments would take the same view, stressing Britain's general view that a prosperous and peaceful Poland was in the interests of the

ambiguous, namely that what

Lord Carrington said the curpose of his visit was to build on the close ties of friendship which united the two countries from the time of

## Gunmen menace polling stations as Jamaicans cast their votes supporters of the two parties able image it had created of the voted separately. Country internationally. We warned of the possibility of violence after the election. Seaga, leader of the JLP, said the people might take the law lence this year, hoste than 60 of into their own hands if they them in the fact, fortuight thought the result, had been before polling Both candidates rigged by Mr Michael Manley's have been fixed upon as they party.

voted separately.

The Spruce Goose, the giant flying boat built by Howard Hughes, being manocuvred by

tugboats across the harbour at Long-Beach, California, where it will go on permanent display.

Kingston, Jamaica, Oct. 30
Guns were still playing a role in the Jamaican election as voting took place today. Mr Michael Manley, the Prime Minister, told a press conference that in a few of the 6,400 polling stations, armed men had tried to take over from the appointed electoral officers or had been demanding to see how people voted.

Other places have been affected by absent election officers and a shortage of ballot boxes. But he said he was

boxes. But he said he was satisfied that in most places the election smoothly. A tour of polling stations round Kingston seemed to con-

firm this. Voting was orderly and cheerful, if slow. One exception was a station near the city centre on the border of areas controlled by the Peoples' National Party (PNP) and the Jamaica Labour

There, snipers fired at each other and at about 50 policemen md soldiers in armoured cars, keeping the two sides apart at a crossroads. Tempers ran high as the police tried to end the confrontation by controlling the flow of voters to ensure that

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there are few incentives to cut

waste.
The concentration of people

in industrial centres has made:

proper distribution vital, and here the Russians have lagged

behind badly. Packaging of fruit and vegetables is primi-

tive. Sometimes farmers cannot

even get nails to put together

packing cases.

The Soviet rail network is overloaded. Ripe produce waits

at stations for transport, and

food wagons can be delayed for days in sidings. There are virtually no refrigerated rail cars

or lorries, and inadequate cold storage centres. Air transport

is prohibitively expensive, and the rural road network often

ayersh in mud.
Poor supplies are also the

result of administrative measures. Khrushchev's tough

restrictions on peasants' private plots did untold damage to market gardening from which the country is still recovering. Russians depend on the private peasant markets for products that connect be economically

that cannot be economically grown on huge state farms.

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Though the policy is now to give vigorous encouragement to these small plots, many old people fear new restrictions and hesitate to increase their

output, while young people now,

Luanda claims

Paris arms ban

has been lifted

Authorities in Luanda sey

12 long-range fishery protection Earlier this year the French

Government refused to allow companies to tender for the

contract, but Luanda seems to

believe that the restriction has

now been lifted, though this is

neither confirmed nor denied

According to Angolan sources this will not mean much change

in its predominant reliance on

the Soviet Union as an arms supplier. The French decision

follows persistent warnings from Mr Luis de Almeida, the

Angolan ambassador in Paris,

that France could not make

more economic progress with Angola so long as the arms

embargo continued. The Angolans also believe that France is concerned over

Angola, aimed at preventing infiltration by Namibian (South-

Angola's response to the attacks has been to order new

anti-aircraft missiles from the Soviet Union, which, the Ango-

South African attacks

West African) guerrillas.

By Our Foreign Staff

At his press conference, he accused Mr Seage of "behaving in a very dishonourable and anti-democratic manner", by complaining about election pro-cedures in whose framing both parties had cooperated. We have to be worried whether, if they lose, they have

Today Mr Manley, as he cast his vote near his official residence, said that Mr Seaga was seeking an abbi for defeat.

There is no doubt that the

JLP have psyched themselves up into an ugly mood."

other things in mind."

Mr Meniey said he had a " great sense of sadness" about the violence which had marred

#### Soviet food shortage made Mr Ecevit quits his post as. worse by bad weather

"In the past we have occupied the streets, locked the shops and called on the people to close down the country", he said.

their evenings gardening,
In addition, recent attempts,
to stamp out corruption and, burgeoning private enterprise in one of the main fruit-grow-ing republics, Georgia, have sharply cut back the supplies, brought to the markets of nor-

thern Russia

Poor weather has recently
played an important part.
Herds had to be slaughtered
after the disastrous 1975 harvest and have taken years to
rebuild. The lack of meat is especially galling to Russians who tend to regard it as a yard-stick to measure their own prosperity. In the provinces many towns have not seen meat

for months on end; The search for food has become so obsessive that the Government is using the promise of adequate supplies as an effective incentive. Fac-tories short of labour promise. better carteen food.

The party with its privi-ledged access to regular sup-plies in special shops is well

year's Zimbabwe elections
year's Zimbabwe elections
They involve painting the
yoters finger with indelible ink
visible only under a special
high-intensity light. There is one
at each of the 6,400 polling
stations across the country.

and multiple spring are tradi-tional at lambicar elections. This year's new enumeration procedure in which all 990,000

voters have been issued with polling cards, is designed to cut this out. But the ILP bave claimed to

have uncovered a PNP plan for bogus voting on a massive

Britain contributed to mak-

ing the election fair by giving 1600-worth of machines like those used successfully in this

have little interest in spending Party Chairman From Our Correspondent Ankara, Oct 30:

of the opposition in Lurkey before the military takeover in September, today annuinted that he had resigned as chairman of the Republican People's Parity.

Publication of the statemen

issued by Mr Ecepit was banned by the ruling National Security Council, which said that Mr Ecepit a former Prime Minister, attempted to inform public opinion of his resignation by a political statement." Such statements had been for bidden since just after the

Mr Ecevit said that he conmr Ecent said that he con-sidered his resignation from the post he has occupied since 1972 to be "file right thing to do now, as it has become clear that it was going to be compulsory for me to leave this position".

position."

Eight killed: Takish security forces killed eight leftist gunmen in a clash in the astern region, the worst shooting incident reported since the toup, will train ifficials senerted. plies in special shops is well aware of the growing popular discontent. The dangerous example of Poland clearly prompted the Polathuro. Traditionally preoccupied with defence and heavy industry, to make food a declared national priority.

Zambia calles in the head cour in the head cour in the plot trial

From Eric Marsden Lusaka, Oct 30 President Keunda has recalled Chief Justice Ann Silvingwe to Zambia from Le don, where he was studying for a PhD. to preside over triels the men accused of plonting coup against the Governmer The Chief Justice arrived hon

The disclosure was made the President when he spol on the State House lawn thousands of supporters of the ruling United National Indepe dence Party who had march through the streets of the car tal to pledge their loyal Demonstrations were also he

in other towns. Dr Kaunda added several er belishments to the story of the coup plot which he had on lined at his press conference. Monday.

He chained that leaders the armed gang, who we monly from Zaire, had originally sought Zambian support overthrow President Mobile When this was refused the gen-was, approached by Zambi-dissidents who wanted the to fight us, hoping a new greatment would help them. armount would be toppie Mobust ".

He said the group at Chilan whi

had taken over a farm wh had previously been used Zapir fighters from Zimbaby The group was made up of "I tween-70 and 200-Zaireaus a Zambian dissidents". So far half been captured. (The figure gave on Monday was 40.)

The President repeated affegation that South Africa allegation that South Arrica vinvolved in the plet. "If it coup had succeeded Sou Africa would have moved saying it had been invited the new government."

He insisted that the Sou African forces based in a County South new Southern Inc. Caprivi Strip near Sesheke I sought talks with the comm der of the Zambian trouthere, and

der of the zamera. the there, and threatened to make across the river. as attack across the fiver.

Explaining the need for cusk to dawn curfew, which I now lasted a week. Dr Kaur said that after the clash Chilanga, a second insurge group had been discovered c sale Kitwe on the Copperb Some of this group had be captured and the rest w being followed up. This was with curfew had been impose Annealing for understand Appealing for understand of Zambia's economic proble even Britain. " which coloni us and took away our copp would soon have three mill naemployed, which was half Zambia's population. "At le we have land v. he said, call on all Zambians to start growth and the said of the said of the said of the said of the said.

we have land. he said, call on all Zambians to start gring maire in their private and parallel of saids of students and parallel on traffic Lusaka's main streets. I marchers, who chanted "Hithe plotters", commandeer rides on lordes, vans and private cars.

My taxi was invaded by 6 students while two others precariously on the back of car. One tried to lie on roof but did not last long the As we lunched on like Indian train; the students t

tice for the plotters to diffuture rebels. They expres support for demands aire the government newspap those found guilty shoul hanged or shot in public Near State House jumped from the taxi. A m

cycle policeman prevented from following them to gates. He ordered the d to do a U-turn and go the first side road, to being stoned by the main of demonstrators.

Peacock defe in party poll
Canberra, Oct 30.
Andrew Peacock, the Austrian Minister, often to

as a future Prime Minifailed in an attempt to the deputy leadership of ruling Liberal Party today Mr Phillip Lynch, the ister for Industry and merce, defeated him by 12 at a party meeting in berra. Mr Malcolm Fraser Prime Minister, was reel

#### British companies are mentioned in Nigerian corruption allegations

From Karan Thapar Lagos, Oct 30

France has lifted its embargo on arms exports to Angola. Angola is interested in buying resignation of Mr Paul Unongo as Minister for Mines and Power over accusations of corruption. In the latest move the

Government of Mr Alhaji Shehu Shagari has denied on television accusations made in an anonymous letter purporting to originate from a source in the Nigerian High Commission in The letter, sent some three

months ago to the opposition newspaper, Nigerian Tribune, as well as to the president's office. alleged that Mr. Unongo while Minister for Special Duties (with specific charge of steel development) had received the sums of £25,000 and £10,000 in his wife's name from a British

anti-aircraft missiles from the rolling square square solution, which the Angothe London branch of the new guised attack on the northern beneficiary of the colling say, may be accompanied by Soviet operators, who would join Cuban troops alleged that another British western Yoruba-based Unity architect of it and food join Cuban troops

the sum of 1m nairs (£780,000) Awolowo Chief Awolowe in cash" in his suite at the the presidential election British corporations have Federal Palace Hotel in Lagos. August, 1979, after a cont been mentioned in bribery allegations which are part of a factional struggle in Nigeria that has so far resulted in the resignation of Mr Paul Unongo able initial difficulty in securing ston chosen to have a substitution of Mr Paul Unongo

> attempts to alter or diversify an that run-off been deter agreement with the Soviet by means of a vote in the Union to build a \$2,500m steel erian House of Represent production: plant at Ajeokuta. it was thought at the ting on September 1, even before with the support of the the contents of the anonymous based Nigerian People's

> against him.
> The Government in its recent denials of wrongdoing by Mr 1979. Chief Awolowo's Unougo counter-charged that ness continued and w "frustrated, disappointed and inforced when the Predisgrantied power seekers". National Party of were behind the letter and the formed a coalition will attention it received in the Nigerian People's Party.

was paid into the account at the manner in which the press
Barclays Bank International at campaign against Mr Unougo
the London branch of the manner in which the press
was conducted in the Cabinet of Mr Unougo
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a Benue who was then

Senate ratification of his election between Mr S nomination, was at the centre of and Chief Awolowo and it was thought at the tin letter were made public on and his own Unity Perty.

October 7. Mr Bhongo had re- Awolowo would have we signed from the Cabinet he- In the event Mr Shag In the event, Mr Shag

cause of repeated press slurs came the first civilian dent of Nigeria after 13 of military rule, on Octo opposition press in Nigeria By Awolowo's erstwhile allie this, the Government meant the opposition Unity Party.

Awolowo's erstwhile allie this this coalition made way for the non-

osed to a quick solution of American hostages crisis cked a key parliamentary sion today by boycotting debate and depriving it of

he public session, which been expected to announce ris definitive conditions for eing the 52 captives, broke in confusion. The debate a rescheduled for Sunday. Vimesses said some mem-s arrived at the parliament gills, building but loitered ade the chamber instead of ing their seats. Forty min-fafter the debate was due tart 162 MPs—18 short of morum—were recorded as sem. The proceedings were

is hostage debate began Sunday, but went into ate session to hear probe drafted by a special mission appointed on

is Hassan Ayat, a central neil member of the Islamic whitean Party, which is to support a resolution the hostage crisis, said would have been a on today if some members from today it some members who been away at the leftonts in the war with the predicted that the asite 150 deputies would present at next Sunday's

ngs were running high an Irani missile attack on ity of Dezful last Sunday. wever, a motion to have lebate postponed until the and subsided or until after United States elections, day's events underlined the

edictable nature of the

takes place—to two days before the United States elections. On the other hand, they also indicated that most Majlis mem bers were in favour of a quick decision on what Iran should demand in return for the free-

demand in return for the freedom of the hostages.

Because of the secret sessions and delays there has still
been no published account of
what the proposed conditions
are but they are believed to
be at most an extended version
of the four laid down last
month by Ayatoliah Khomeini.
He said Washington could
have the hostages back if it
returned the wealth of the
Shah, unblocked frozen frantan
assets, dropped legal claims assets, dropped legal claims against the assets, and pro-mised not to interfere in Iran's domestic affairs.

In another matter, eight people, including two women, were executed in Tehran early today on charges of drug-dealing, prison officials said. A spokesman said they were all members of a herom-distribu-

tion ring: The offenders were shot on the orders of Ayatollah Sadeq Khalkhali, who has been head ing an anti-drugs force since May.

Cancer denial: Officials in Washington said they were worried that remarks attributed to a White House side claiming that Avatollah Khomeini had pianolesiam Hashemi Raf- that Avarollah Khomeini had ani, the Speaker, told terminal cancer could prompt tiers that anti-American an "apoplectic" reaction and set back prospects for the release of the hostages. The White House issued a statement saying the aide was not a spokesman for the administration on Iran, that it had no information that Ayatollah Khomeini was terminally ill and that it did not comment on internal developments in Iran.s, and brought the debate AP.

After all the promises of an interminable campaign, only some of the subjects remain crucial

### Mr Carter's eggs are in the nuclear basket and peace is the issue

In the course of this in-terminable presidential election campaign, Mr Carrer and Mr Reagan have made many have made many have answered innumerable questions and have taken positions on an immense variety of issues. Only two or three groups of subjects have proved crucial, however, and the election will be decided by people's feelings about them, and by their judgment on the electron of the two envisiones. character of the two candidates.

President Carter wants people to think first of all about questions of war and peace. In the debate on Tuesday night, he said: "Inflation, memployment, the cities—all very important issues, but they pale into insignificance in the life and duties of a President when and duties of a President when compared with the control of

Here is an important difference in policy between the two candidates. When he became President in 1977, Mr Carter believed (rather as Mr Reagan does now) that he could do better than his predecessor and therefore proposed to the Russians a substantial cut in their nuclear armoury. They rejected the idea.

reverted to the draft of the treaty prepared by President Ford and Dr Henry Kissinger, the former Secretary of State, and in due course the Salt 2 treaty was signed, on Waterloo Day, -979. His excess of enthusiasm had lost him a year, and the Senate was not ready to ratify it when the Soviet Union invaded Afghanistan in December and Mr. Carter suspended

He now proposes to try again, is flatly opposed to the treaty as it stands. He wants a reduction in nuclear arms by both, sides or, failing that, wants the United States to expand its forces greatly before any further arms limitation treaty is concluded. He thinks that the threat to resume the arms race would lead the Soviet Union to modify its policies.

The polls suggest that the electorate believes that Mr Reagan would be tougher with the Russians in a confrontation, and the corollary is that it believes that Mr Carter would act with greater restraint. We will discover next week which arritude the American public Mr Reagan has said that he prefers. Mr Reagan says: "I will recognize Jerusalem as the think it's time we told the capital of Israel, but Mr George



they like us or not. We intend to be respected throughout the world."

Mr Carter has stated that the United States will keep the Straits of Hormuz open, come what may, and has started to assemble an army and has already assembled a davy to do so. However, he crinicises Mr Reagan for being ready to "inject force" into diplomacy, and prides himself on his diplomatic achievements.
The most notable of those was the Camp David peace agreement and the subsequent

peace meany between Israel and Egypt. There is fittle substantive difference between the two candidates over policy towards Iśrael, although teady to sell out the Israelis to guarantee oil supplies.

Bush, the vice-presidential can-didate, has fudged on the issue and a President Reagan, like the luckless Mr Joe Clark, who was briefly Prime Minister of Canada, would probably find it more sensible to leave the American embassy in Tel Aviv.

National security depends on military strength, and both candidates promise to increase the strength of the armed forces. Mr Reagan is against conscription, and the registration of young men that Mr Carter introduced last spring, and supports large pay increases for military personnel.

He also supports a vast expansion of the American

The second class of issues which may decide the election is the economy. Mr Reagan sup-ports what is now known as the Reagan-Kemp-Roth tax cut bill, even though he has much softened his enthusiasm for that measure under the influence of his economic advisers. He wants next three years, while increasing defence spending substaning defence spending substan-tially, and balancing the budget.

He claims that this can be done by cutting waste from federal spending. Mr Carter

calls the proposal ridiculous and highly inflationary. The odd thing is that he was saying much the same thing as Mr Reagan four years ago. It could not be done and with the authority of his years in the White House, he asserts that it cannot be done by Mr Reagan,

One policy of which Mr Carter is proudest is energy. He succeeded, after three years' effort, in pushing a series of measures through Congress, of which the most important were deregulating the price of oil and taxing increased oil profits. As a result, oil production is now

increasing in the United States. Mr Reagan admits this but would try to repeal the windfall profits tax and "let the energy industry loose" to solve America's energy problems. He wants more nuclear energy and less federal regulation that limits the exploration for offshore oil and the development of coal

Mr Carter used to be opposed to nuclear power, but there is really not much to chose between the two. There are numbers of issues

the electorate. Thus westerners oppose all proposals to limit the ownership of guns. Mr Reagan is flatly opposed to registration, let alone prohibition of ownership, of handguns. Mr Carter favours registration, though mithout the ferrour of though without the fervour of true Democratic liberals.

A more widespread and in portant issue is abortion. Mr Reagan (who signed into law · liberal abortion statute in California), now supports amendment to the constitution that would prohibir all abor-tions save those needed to save the woman's life. Mr Carter is against the amendment, and is also against federal funding for abortions. (So, of course, is Mr Reagan.)

Mr Carter supports the Equal Rights Amendments, which would prohibit discrimination against women, and Mr Reagan opposes it. Mr Carter is a stron environmentalist and worked for laws protecting wilderness in various countries, Mr Reagan, though not the out and out advocate for unlimited economic development of the enemies portray him as, consome large minorities among movement has gone too far.

#### eansing power of guns ed amid Beirut decay

victors of Ein Rummaneh ed jokes ingether, loung-gainst the smashed wall old barracks hut and only onally breaking off to yell ise in the direction of Mr

forces of law and order nered the Beirur suburb.

ight shoulders, rai had huge pistols g in handmade and ted holsters at their hips. nshaven after three days ning, fondled the handd a mobile ann tank gun. hite and green banner of salangists flew above us. Rummapeh had been

spokesmen for the nese forces —ostensibly Inited Marchite militias actually use this word. heighbouring suburb of tieh had been "cleansed" by when Mr Camille sun's rival "rigers" had been virtually wiped the Phalangists and now Ein Rummaneh's turn. semed an almost farcical the chain around sion, given the scruffy of the Phalange.

neighbourhood, the piles of un-collected garbage beside the road, the dirty little shops and

the buildings cratered and scarred by machine gun fire. The good cirizens of Ein Rummanch swept the debris off their balconies and reopened their shops this morning with the fatigue of people who had been "liberated" several times emeyel was telling his already in the past five years audience, or cleanse Ein and would probably be "libera-tanen of the bandits who ted" again quite soon.

errorized its citizens. It Mr Gemayel took it all sen a simple police action.

Gemayel's Christian the tailboard of a camouflaged emen" went on leaning firm and rover, raising his voice to the mail cheming firm an amountain trains when he hats perched on some condemned the gunnen who cheads, M16 rifles hang-controlled Ein Rummaneh until with insouciance over his own men won their little the shoulders victory yesterday afternoon.

rictory yesterday afternoon.

The subject of Mr Gemayel's distaste was Mr Elias Hamioush, whose own gunnen, loyal to Mr Chamoua's National Liberal Party, had been finally trounced in vesterdee's Enhing trounced in yesterday's fighting and had clanked off to take refuge in West Beirut under Syrian army protection. They left four dead behind.

The "cleansing" of Ein Rummaneh means that Mr

Gemayel has been able to extend his personal fiefdom a little father south and east of the Muslim controlled district of West Beirut.

If Mr Gemayel ever took it into his head to surround the Leftis: and Palestinian armies in the city, then Ein Rummaneh would be an essential link in the chain around the enemies for final assault on Abadan

Beirut, Oct 30
Iraqi forces are massing around Abadan in preparation for storming the oil city which miles from Abadan.

Tehran radio reported that Abadan was last night under "heavy artillery bombard-ment" which caused many civilian casualties. It said Iranian forces were ferociously resisting Iraqi attempts to send troops across the Karun river to tighten their siege of Abadan.

The radio added that an Iraqi MiG fighter was shot down during a raid on the Iranian military base at Bushaho in the Gulf. Iraq reported that an Iranian Phantom jet was shot down in the southern sector.
Reports on the battles further

not going well for the Iranians.

A commentary on Ahvar radio said: "It has been dispersed that a group of atmy personnel are transferring themselves to other cities". Accusing these persons of "resorting to every trick to avoid confrontation with the enemy", it promised that once the "glorious victory" is achieved the Iranian nation "will deal with these cowards who encourage people

Bashdad to continue his peace efforts on behalf of the Islamic Conference organization. He said he was still waiting for Iran's reply to his proposal of forming a commission of Islamic heads of state to mediate.

# Iragis mass

From Tewfik Mishlawi

has been encircled for more than three weeks, according to Iraqi reports from the battle-front today. The Iraqis already claim to be in complete control

The Iraqis earlier set up three pontoon bridges across the

defenders of the besieged town of Ahvaz were deserting their posts and that the fighting was not going well for the Iranians cowards who encourage people to escape and themselves seek

hiding places like jackals."

Mr Agha Shahi, the Pakistan
Foreign Minister, arrived in
Amman today on his way to

Face from the past: Mr Richard Nixon leaving a Washington court where he testified at the trial of former officials of the FBI.

#### Reagan adviser resigns after press allegations

From Our Correspondent

Washington, Oct 30 Mr Richard Allen, Chief adviser on foreign policy to Mr Ronald Reagan, resigned the position this morning. A long article in the Wall Street Journal on Tuesday claimed that he had used his connexions on President Nixon's staff to en-

It also alleged that he had associated with a number of dis-reputable figures, including the

Salazar government and Mr
Robert Vesco.
In a statement, Mr Ed Meese,
the campaign director, said:
"Mr Allen said today that he has mithdrawn for the remaining days of the campaign to remove this matter as a possible issue in the campaign. Mr Allen continues to have the full confidence of Ronald Reagan.
One of his assistants insis-

ted this morning that Mr Allen jumped and was not pushed. He was top of the list of candidates for the job of national security adviser if Mr Reagan won the election. That is the job now held by Mr Zbigniew Brzezioski. Dr Kissinger was one of his predecessors.

Mr. Allen has not been accused of any serious impro-prieties. After leaving the White House staff in 1972, he

was appointed a consultant and then started advising the Portuguese government on how to bandle adverse publicity about its colonial policies, including a massacre in Mozambique.

At the same time, he was paid a large retainer as consultant for Mr Robert Vesco, who had stolen several hundred million dollars from Investment

Overseas Services.

Post debate confusion Whatever the opinion polls may say about the winner of Tuesday night's televised presidential debate, and they are confusing to put it mildly, both President Carter and Mr Ronald Reagan have set off on their final round of nonstop campaigning each delighted by his performance and each convinced that he was the victor (David Cross writes).

Surveys conducted by reputable polling organizations found that the outcome was evenly balanced.

The absence of a clear winner has made the final campaigning blitz by the two candidates more crucial than ever-or so their campaign organizers believe. Both are concentrating on the either of them could win. Mr Reagan began his final lan

to polling day next Tuesday in Texas.

#### **Ex-CIA** man admits KGB work

Baltimore, Maryland, Oct 30.
A former agent of the Central
Intelligence Agency believed to
be the most important Soviet spy ever uncovered within Uni-ted States Intelligence, pleaded guilty here yesterday to selling American intelligence secrets to

Daviet Union:
David Barnett, aged 47, was accused of passing on to the Soviet secret police (KGB)
United States intelligence on top-secret Soviet weaponry including surface-to-air missiles. destroyers and bombers, from October 1976. He admitted re-October 19/b. He admitted receiving \$92,600 (£36,200).

As part of a plea bargain with federal prosecutors, Mr Barnett agreed to cooperate with the CIA and the Federal Bureau of Investigation in assessing the damage he had done to United States security, prosecutors said.

Besides turning over to the KGB technical information procured by a United States covert operation code-named "Ha-Brink", Mr Barnett was accused of identifying 30 undercover CIA agents.

Mr Barnett was said to have

passed on the information to KGB agents in Jakarta and Vienna after leaving the CIA in During his CIA career, Mr Barnett was involved in clandestine intelligence operations de-signed to obtain information on the Soviet Union. He also did part-time consultancy jobs for Judge Frank Kaufman, of the United States District Court now, rold Mr Barnett that des-pite his agreement to cooperate,

he could still be sentenced to

life imprisonment.—Reuter.

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president, was today freed of all restrictions after a year of house arrest which followed his 15 year prison term.

New Telecommunications Charges Proposals to increase telephone charges which were announced on 31 July 1980 come into effect next

From 1 November rentals for business exchange lines go up to £16.75 a quarter and for domestic lines to £12.00 a quarter.

The maximum standard charge for installing a. new domestic line will be £65.00 and £75.00 for a business line.

From 3 November the basic call unit will cost 4p and on inland Cheap Rate calls rather less time than hitherto will be allowed for each unit.

Increases are also being made to charges for connecting and renting other telephone, telex and datel apparatus and inland private circuits. Some of these increases have already come into effect.

The Cheap Rate period for international dialled calls will be extended by 2 hours and will now be from 8pm to 8am Monday to Friday and all weekend; intercontinental telex calls will be cheaper.

These are the main changes.

The minimum charge from a coinbox telephone will stay at 5p (including VAT).

Apart from the coinbox call charges, all prices exclude VAT which is added separately to your bill.

British Telecom regrets that it has been forced to put up prices, but points out to customers that it is only the second increase in its main charges since 1975. A leaflet giving fuller details will be enclosed with your next bill and additional copies will be available on request. If you want to know more now, just call the operator and ask for Freefone 2500 and we will be pleased to provide details.

#### arms rebuff rises idi Arabia tain. Oct 30.—Saudi bas reacted sharply to a

from President Carter to ruest for extra bomb racks · F-15 aircraft. United States should not

jaudi Arabia's friendship ented, said a policy state published last night by ficial Saudi press agency. minded President Carter alks about the bomb racks ther equipment for the were still going on. Saudi did not expect Washing-final answer until after esidential election, it said. arter said last week that ald not sell the extra racks to Saudi Arabia.
n diplomats in Saudi said the Saudis had not old in advance and last press statement ex-"astonishment" at the er's remarks. sed by the Israelis, who

or the aircraft might be against them. Sould: a request caused an open with Washington earlier I the dispute first flared.

rabia accused the United of putting Israel's friendgad of its own and said

buth later. Saudi Arabia d tear it had finally lost e with American-spon-peace efforts in the East and said the price port for the Arab cause. Saudi press statement ght said that "nobody manapaly of the king-

2 125 Navy ings said that the interests is shown by
ed with which America
dar encraft to the king
help to present its oil
fire the gulf war storted. ending article, page 13

#### Five Marxists clubbed to death in Tokyo street

Tokyo, Oct 30

Five members of a radical faction of Marxist Revolution aries were beaten to death with iron pipes in broad daylight on a Tokyo street today in a clash between feuding factions of Japan's radical left-wing move-

Eyewitnesses said that five men, all members of the Kaku-maru-Ha (the Revolutionary Marxist Faction) were strolling down a street in front of a library in Minamisenzoku dis-trict of Tokyo when they were attacked by a gang of eight radicals wearing white helmets and black masks. One witness said: "It was

terrible. They behaved just like gaugsters. They kept on beating their victims on their heads
until they were dead. Then
they fled in a white van.

Later today the Chukaku-Ha
(the Nucleus Faction, a rival group of left-wing radicals) in relephone calls to Japanese newspapers claimed that the five had been killed to avenge the murder of a left-wing leader four years ago.

A man who claimed to be spokesman for the Chukaku-Ha telephoned the Asahi Shim bun later today and said the killings would continue until Revolutionary Marxists

were destroyed.

A police officer said later today: "This might herald in a vicious spare of killings on the streets of Tokyo."

A man claiming to be a spokesman for the Chukaku-Ha said: "We are fighting American and Japanese imperials mean and Japanese imperials must desiroy enemies within the left-wing movement All of the victims were students at Tokyo's Institute of

Technology.
The two feuding factions, 28 The two feuding factions, 28 well as Japan's infamous terrorist group, the so-called Red Army, are splinter groups which broke away from the left-wing National Federation of Students' Organizations which was formed in 1960 to oppose Japan's security treaty with the United States.

Since then, a bitter feud founded on obscure ideological differences has accounted for

differences has accounted for the deaths of 80 members of

the radical left-wing camp.

Ben Bella freed Algiers, Oct 30 -- Mr Ahmed Ben Bella, a founder of independent Algeria and its first

## Arab mayors barred from court

From Christopher Walker Jerusalem, Oct 30

The complex legal battle to prevent the banishment of two elected Palestinian mayors from their homes in the Israeli-occupied West Bank entered its final stage today with the start final stage today with the start of their second appeal before the first supreme Court. The case followed the recent decision of the West Bank

decision of the West Bank Military Governor to uphold the view of a secret military tribunal which ruled that the original deportation orders against Mr Fahd Kawasme of Rebroit and Mr Mohammed Milhem of neighbouring Hal-houl should stay in force. Attempts were made today

to allow the two mayors to against their exile. He explained that he did not

want to subject the court to the spectacle of two men who had been fasting for such a period. In recent days there have been reports that both mayors were becoming very weak. At today's hearing Mrs Felicia Langer, for the mayors, argued that their deportation under British-draft emergency regula-tions of 1945 contravened both Jordanian and international law. from both sides next week Mrs Langer, an outspoken adfore making a final ruling.

attend the hearing, but Mr received a number of death thoushe Landau, the Chief Justice, rejected the plea because the men had only just ended a two former Jordanian judges to support her argument. support her argument.

She claimed to have new evidence to prove her case which

would considerably weaken the power of the Israeli military The Israeli Government prosecutor countered both arguments and submitted Supreme Court ruling of 1978 as a precedent to show that deportation was legal.

The court then ruled that it would hear detailed arguments

from both sides next week be-

**OVERSEAS** 

### South Africa reveals proposals to alter apartheid extensively

Johannesburg, Oct 30 Dr Piet Koornhof, the Ministers of Cooperation and Development, toda yintroduced three draft laws designed to remove "unnecessary and hurtful dis-crimination" and to reationalize

black "influx control".

Once enacted they will increase the mobility of blacks living and working in the white area" of South Africa and make it easier for them to remain there. But it will become more difficult for blacks living in the homelands to move to urban areas.

At a press conference Dr Koornhof said an announcement was expected soon that the pass. Africans is to be abolished, to be replaced by an identity docu-ment which will be carried by all South Africans, regardless

He also said steps were being taken to eliminate distinctions between black and white labour.

The draft laws are the Local

Government Bill, the Co-opera-tion and Development Amend-ment Bill and the Black Community Development Bill. Other proposals include the scrapping of curtew laws, whereby blacks have to be out

The new laws wil linvolve decades. A measure of control was necessary for stability and order.

Koornhof said they reflected departmental thinking and had not vet been placed before the Cabinet He invited members of interesting to measure of control was necessary for stability and order.

A proposal to grant more powers to black community councils was designed, the minimum than the councils was designed, the minimum than the councils was designed, the minimum than the councils was designed to give them the Cabiner. He invited members of

and act anew. The Bills marked the start of a process of normalizing race relations in South Africa".

The laws are based on recom-

mendations made last year by the Rickert Commission on mannower utilization.

They are part of attempts to make apartheid more acceptable, internally and overseas. The process has become known s "neo-apartheid". The influx control changes.

are designed to produce a more mobile black workforce to belo to accelerate economic expansion and to create a new block labour elite which, it is hoped, will have a vested interest in maintaining stability in white

The Black Community Development Bill will replace the Urban Areas Act, known as the Pass Law Act. It also scrops conditions under which blacks are permitted to live in town-

ships like Soweto. Under the new law a black who has a job and accommoda-tion will be legally entitled to remain in a white area. Dr. Koornhof estimated that this qualification would apply to about 95 per cent of the eightmillion blacks living in white.

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ister said, to give them the same degree of municipal auththe public to comment. same degree of municipal auth-He said the proposed legisla-tion was an attempt by the enjoyed.

#### MP seeks end to Manila sex tours

#### Flights to fleshpots shame Japanese

Tokyo, Oct 30
The Japanese always tend to work, play or travel in groups but Miss Takako Doi, a Socialist member of Parliament, believes the trait is taken too far when it comes to sex.

As a consequence, Miss Doi, aged 51, is waging a vigorous campaign to prevent the country's travel industry from pur-suing a thriving sideline known as the package sex tour.
An estimated 1,500,000 Jap-

anese men will travel in groups to Manila, South Korea and other poorer nations of Southeast Asia on tours this year after paying a package price for their air fare, hotel room and the promise of sex.

In one case the newspapers recently reported that a travel agent flew a group of 200 men ner one night a screen was removed to reveal 200 prostitutes.

This casts a great shame over the image of Japan. There

is no other country where men travel abroad in organized groups to purchase women in groups". Miss Doi told Parliament recently.

Mr Masayoshi Ito, the Forelan Minister, agreed with Miss

Doi. "If sex tours are taking place it is embarrassing to a tremendous impact on Japan's imaze", be said.

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But opponents of the sex a guide bearing the ever present tours are doubtful whether they can stamp the practice out.

"Japanese men have found out that prostitution abroad is who visit Manila are male and sharper than a prostitution." that prostitution abroad is who visit Manila are male and cheaper than at home. They the number of Japanese who cannot speak local languages travel to the Philippines has and are forced to travel on increased from 25,000 in 1972 group tours and this has turned to 250,000 last year.

travel for sex into a huge industry". Mrs Keiko Watanabe of the Tokyo Christian Temperance Association said. Filipino officials estimate that more than 2,000 prostitutes

in Manila are now employed directly or indirectly by Japanese travel companies.

Ten "Japanese only" brothels have been set up in Manila

to cater to groups of tourists from Tokyo. When entering these establishments the girls are forced to present their green health cards to guards and then join Japanese farmers, businessmen and factory work-ers in their rooms. On the way out they are searched.

In other capitals of south and north-east Asia travel agents have been known to blatantly. drive busloads of chattering girls to their clients' hotels.

Japanese male tourists go to Taiwan in large groups, in many cases to visit Peitou, a resort with Japanese hotels and more than 300 licensed prostitutes The political upheaval in South Korea has discouraged Japanese tourists from visiting Seoul and most of the all-male tour groups are flocking to Manila, Bangkok and Taiwan.

A night in Bangkok includés a visit to a nightclub and a sex Japan. If groups are travelling show, "Japanese only" massage abroad on sex tours it will have parlours and brothels. The tourists are usually escorted from one fleshpot to another by

#### Unknown person blamed for Peking station blast

Peking, Oct 30.-The Chinese Liberation Army. Though the authorities said tonight that nine people had died and 81 sabotage, it is unlikely that such were injured in an explosion at top officials would have come Peking's main railway station last night. Two of the injured dent. were in a critical condition. The official New China news rgency made no mention of the he word "bomb", but said that he explosion had been caused py an explosive charge rought into the railway station

to the scene for a mere acci-

The report said the explosion occurred on an upper storey concourse in the main terminal building at the top of a bank of escalators. "The railway station was only lightly damaged and trains kept running as normal."

y an unknown person. Senior officials who went to the scene included Mr Zhao sangbi, the Public Security Hinister, Mr Lin Hujia, the slavor of Peking. Mr Guo Steichen, the Minister of Rail-plosion scattered metal fragues and Mr Qin livel the metal for a discussed for any statement of the services. ommander of the Peking mili-ary region of the People's undamaged.—Reuter and AP.

#### Mr Kim's appeal hearing preaks up in uproar

Trom Jacqueline Reditt

I martial law censors.

The military court hearing of session opened, one of the defendants by Mr Kim Dae Jung, dants ran up to the judge shouth Korean dissident, and co-defendants broke up in brought in a communist spy as

n by a lower court which so by the military police. [They find him guilty of communist then started to sing the national ivities and of instigating the anthem and members of their Sellion in the southern town families joined in.] Kwangju last May. His co- The panel of five military Tendants, tried on lesser son sentences of between two change to make a final state

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judges announced that the dement and a court official later The martial law authorities said that at the next session ay confirmed the death sen- sentences would be passed.





This queue began to form before dawn, hoping that meat will be delivered to the shop.

## Polish economy under the thumb of the railways

I, a reporter, am not the only one to shrug my shoulders when the highest authorities assure me that our managerial costrol in Poland is really going to improve. In fact everyone involved knows full well that the whole economy is under the thumb of the nationalized

railways. It is simple : either the goods trans are there and production can proceed or they are not and there is no production. The railway has become a dictator not only in the realm of trans-port but also in the technology of production and in the selection of raw materials for

The whole world has had to accept containerization and has gradually come to love it. But in Poland the containerized tonnage fell by 300,000 tonnes between 1970 and 1977 and that despite administrative pressure to the contrary.

Polish railways, which do not have to compete with road transport, forced customers to oad their containers on to ordinary goods trucks. This required such an immense amount of lifting equipment at both ends that it was enough to put the industry off con-

As for pallets, the essential complement of the container, the exhortations of six committees for palletization and the modernization of goods handling all failed to make a int of difference. The palletiza by 159,000 ionnes between 1975 and 1977. The only form of growth to be noted is the number of people laughing at the

There are indeed more and more reasons for laughter. Take the bricks for high-rise blocks in Warsaw. They are loaded by hand into the railway trucks. unloaded manually at Warsaw goods yards, loaded by hand on to pallets, which are then lifted on to lorries and finally lifted by a hoist to the eleventh or eighteenth level of the building under construction.

Why on earth must we have three manual operations in order to mechanize the last

The railways decided that they would provide trucks only for loads going further than 100 kilometres. Short-distance haws would have to be made by road transport (which is scarce).

So although I personally know of no construction plant without a suitable quarry with-in 50 kilometres, sources fur-ther afield must be used to qualify for rail transport. When we buy building plant with all the accompanying technology from abroad, how can we ex-plain to Western minds, ill trained in understanding in-dustrial absurdities and with no

It is taken from a special double issue of Survey' on Poland from Inside, containing writings published unofficially in recent years rail to the Copper Basin-

The following is a shortened version of an

article written by a Polish journalist,

Josef Kusmierek, before the recent troubles.

though in the Copper basis-though in the Basin there are numerous quarries capable of producing, building-sand and gravel? The Western block-head might doubt the profit-ability of such an arrangement. And so, to satisfy the 100-And so, to satisfy the 100-kilometre rule, sand from Paczkow is taken to Lublin, sand from Boleslawiec to Opole, to the Katowice Steel Works and to Belchatow. The same can happen with coal supplies. The railways decreed that each customer should provide his own unloading equipment. I myself begged the railway managements to appoint a single

agements to appoint a single producer of the equipment so as to ensure servicing. But, as was predictable, we now have as many types of unloading equipment as there are design offices among the railway customers.

Most firms adopted a crane equipped with a grab because it was the cheapest. Grabs proved to be a disaster for the railway rolling stock. In due course the railway management, in an act of self-defence, forbade the use of grabs, leaving ing only one course open: manual unloading. Except that there are no hands available. Another devastating principle of operation is that every industrial and commercial enterprise in the country is judged by its

financial turpover. So every enterprise tries to increase its transport tosts: every kilometre/tonne represents a clear gain in the books.

lt is not good sense for offi-cial propaganda to go on and on praising the railwaymen for overfulfilling the plan and for achieving brilliant results when everyone knows that there is nothing brilliant about our railways. It does no good to show on television a team of triumphant miners who are said to have produced millions more

have produced millions more tonnes of coal than expected, when the peasants watching the screen are tinable to get coal for love, money or bribes.

And the people who for the last five years have been queueing for longer and longer in order to buy meat are not engaged. amoured of the sight of heroic farmworkers who achieved sig-

amoured of the sight of heroic farmworkers who achieved significant overfulfilments of the pig plan.

And what does official propaganda have to say about the Lublin coalfield? Everyone knows that the construction of a new undertaking of that size, the largest in Europe this century, is of great and lasting importance for our economy.

Almost all the coal from Lublin is destined for the Soviet Union and the insignificant remainder is to go to local coorse operatives. Now everyone who

bothered to read what I have written knows, that I have always supported the growth of our trade with the Soviet Union. But our buffoon propagands calls every export to Russia's a gift," and the people, not surprisingly, call it a deportation. No export makes sense unless at least a part of the production is available for the home market.

Every political crisis has brought up the problem of our relations and trade links with the Soviet Union. The problem is both sensitive and inflammatory. It is not however, a sound

is both sensitive and inflamma-tory. It is not however, a sound idea to, reexamine our whole foreign trade strategy only when the advancing tanks rum-ble and the bulkers are fired at the workers on the brink of a civil war.

There witnessed as a jour-nalist the five great nolitical.

nalist the five great a jour-nalist the five great political shocks of our time: September, 1948; October, 1955; March, 1968, and the invasion of Czechoslovakia; December, 1970 and June, 1976, I am abso-lutely sure (and this is not a wild guess) that we are about to witness yet another grave shock. And this will be the most serious, because it will involve memoil in the national



## The modern French woman is chic and deadly

## Guns for the home, teargas for the street

Paris, Oct 30 woman's magazine Marie-France has just appeared in the kiosks. As always there is a section at the back devoted to all those things which women are sup-posed to know—like growing bonzai trees, embroidering bonzai trees, embroidering cushions, heating soups and

making up faces. ... But in the same section this month appears a little article on buying guns and using tear-gas. With all the violence, rape and robbery going on, the article points out, women need to know about such things. discovered breal Therefore Marie-France read-shop one night.

ers are told that as long as they do not take it out in the street with them they can buy a defen-sive weapon and obtain a certificate to keep it and 50 bullers. But for street wear, the modern French woman is advised to buy tear gas aerosol and keep her finger on the button whenever she is in potentially dangerous

attacked, take out the spray, squirt the gas at mose level at extreme, as when a father shot your attackers and avoid breath- and killed his son, who had your attackers and avoid breathng it in yourself. The attacker feels the muscles of his thoracic cage contract, his eyes shut and he suffocates for a good twenty

This aggressive advice is supported by an inquiry showing that attacks on women in public have more than doubled since 1974, while a poli shows that 47 per cent of Parisians say that insecurity is the main problem with city life.

The November edition of the able in France at the moment and courts seem to give legal sanction to people who use violent methods to protect their person or property. Earlier this month, for example, a baker who shot and killed an Algerian boy, who was 13, was acquirted when the court heard he only fired his .22 rifle after he heard someone breaking into his shop. In another typical case at the same court in Metz, a week later, a tobacconist was given a one year's suspended sentence

for shooting a young man he discovered breaking into his A cafe owner at Senlis released on bail last week after firing a shorgun at one of a group of young people who had refused to pay their bill. Police had hardly begun questioning him after the incident when local myspecula began organlocal townspeople began organ-izing a petition in his defence, demanding his release.

These are mercly a sample of "Never threaten," the article the types of cases which are dvises. "When you are almost everyday in France. Some of them are tragic in the gone downstairs one night to get a drink of water. Others seem almost funny—a man wounding a policeman who had called to investigate a suspicious noise which the man had

But all of them are President Giscard is himself symptomatic of the fact that a strongly opposed to the idea high proportion of the French population are firmly in favour their own hands as he showed of self-defence in an age when last year when he spoke to they believe the police force is police inspectors.

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of keeming a shotgun, even if of keeping a shotgun, even if 44 per cent did not approve the idea of using it to kill. France still has the death

penalty as the ultimate deter-rent. It has not been used for

reflected in the fact that in the past three weeks three death sentences have been passed and the President who was an abolitionist when he

Although the guillotine has not been used recently, there is now strong pressure for that to change. The Government is aware of the need for tougher official action given the fact that since the last death sentence was carried out 43 people have been killed by ordinary citizens protecting their life or property.
President Giscard is himself

Legitimate defence, har said, was valid in tertain specific cases, but it has always been used as an excuse: Justice which one carries out oneself is contrary to justice", he said. It was in part to overcome the French feeling of insecurity faced with the growing crime rate in the past ten years, for example, juvenile, delinquency. has quadrupled—that the government introduced its highly controversial law for

security and liberty." Whether it will work remains the past three years and President Giscard distaing has commuted the last four death sentences which had been passed up to this month.

The growing feeting of the sentence was not been any noticeable effect on softening public feeling on the subject. The law is seen as tinkerpassed up to this month. ject. The law is seen as tinker.

The growing feeling of ing with judicial processes national insecurity, however, is rather than with proceeding.

The recent bombing of the synagogue in Paris has been no more than one of the more spectaculas incidents of violent came to office, knows it would protest which have also become be politically unpopular if he an everyday fact of life in Paris' were to show elemency in these and, to a lesser extent; in the

provinces.

Bombs against all kinds of targets go off or are defused on average twice a day in different. parts of the country. In the past few months bazonkas, machine guns and time bombs have all: been used. The work wrong to

verge of violent anarchy. At the same time it is disconcerting to flick through a women's magazine and end up with thoughts

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## Beverly Sills leaves a wealth of memories

On the empty stage of the New York State Theater, surrounded

general satisfaction when one of these was won by New York's leading opera buff and standee.

The dinner, served in two locations, the State Theater and the facing Avery Fisher Hall, included a place of madeleines, whether to evoke one's own mamories: or those of Sib's's operatic life was left unspecified. Yet, amidst the search-lights, the antiphonal trumpets on the plaza and the reports of a million dollar net profit for the benefit (the dinner and Carol Burnett.

rest (Haroid Arien's music was almost as ubiquitous as Johann Strause's); thus, Sherrill Milues, Leontyne Price, Eileen Farrell, James Galway, Cynthia Gregory, Placido Domingo, Bobby Short, Dinah Shore and, as mistress of ceremonies

The only artists directly associated with Sills's City Opera career were the evening's chief conductor, Julius Rudel, Donald Gramm (who provided a personal second verse to "I Want It") and the tenor John Alexander. Yet if Thus, Mary Martin in apricot tenor John Alexander. Yet, if sud incongruously white hear, the emphasis was on the extra now over ("I can only hope with "My Heart Belongs to operatic, this was oddly appropriate, since Sills's career, said somewhat wistfully at the

of her Massenet Manon, swing-ing on a swing, with the half-fearful, half-breathlessly antici-patory sexuality of "Nous irons a Paris, tous les deux": or the vocal echo of her Zerbinetta, in the daunting thickets of Strauss's first version of the big aria, tossing it off with a poise and a charm wholly in keeping with the role and the opera. There may be no business like show business. but I prefer to remember the art of it, as revealed in the voice and the presence of Beverley Sills.

wife's best friend, a gloomy and grumbling girl who works in a

The life of the two homes is

gradually revealed. The young husband's world revolves in the narrow circle of work, the telly

and the pub; the wife's takes in,

addition, the supermarket and the vacuum cleaner. They have

really nothing to talk about, so that their conversation, outside

the marital bed, is mainly con-fined to grunting and snarling

and snapping at each other, arguments about nothing. Next

door, if they have little more to talk about, and even less in

bed, at least they have their

pretensions, their paper-backs and their knitting. At first it looks like black character comedy; then you grow uneasy:

anthropic and malicious about

the way these characters—the adenoidal slob glued to Grand-stand and his slutty wife—are

Finally it dawns that this is the awful truth: Leigh is only describing the cultural and emo-

pulsive tea-and-toast gobbler, provide not only relief for her

own spinsterish frustrations, but

arrives at it, through the tech-

nique of improvization and sub

sequent distillation he has deve-loped since Bleak Moments,

largely in his theatre work, he

reaches the real pathos that lies behind the sort of low

comedy dialogue you can hear any day in the launderette and

Sir Henry at Rawlinson End

is a rather less significant—and for all its efforts less comic—

contribution to the new British cinema. Based on characters and

comic concepts by Vivian Stan-

Alberts and Monty Python, as

well as from Alice and Wode-

house. It is a style if British

zany fun that now tends to look rather dated; but every-

thing is flung in with such abandon and so little discre-tion that it can hardly help but

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#### Strangeways BBC 1

#### Joan Bakewell

What television has done for the public school, the hospital and the Navy, it is doing for Strangeways prison. The formula is a proven winner. A time-serving and often prizewinning film crew simply moves in and keeps its cameras turning on every aspect of the human condition it finds within. All institutional life can thus be reduced neatly to a block of television programmes. And, like the institutions they portray, such theories have a certain, even attractive, predictability. The cast of characters splits easily across a dividing gulf: teachers/pupils, medical staff/patients and here prisoners/prison officers. One location, local conflict, social significance... the pattern will no doubt move on. How soon, I wonder, before we have the parish, the holiday camp, the Foreign Office?

By unhappy coincidence this series reaches the screen as the prison officers stand dead-locked with the Home Office about their working conditions.
It is timely indeed for us to see how brutalizing their surroundings are. I hope that before the end we shall be brought to question the whole idea by which a society seeks to cure its deviants by putting view, unexplained, suppressed. Human contact, what there was of it, was aggressive and hostile, set on predictably argumentative lines. If the series succeeds it will prove very depressing indeed. Rex Bloomidea by which a society seeks to serve his time well. home are somewhat shadowed by their natural awe for the couple next door, and by the persistant invasions of the wife's clinging sister Gloria. The only other character is the

them for long periods of time into the sort of confined space that would drive even conven-tional and conforming spirits towards frantic and disturbed

This first episode had little talk-few conversations, the minimum of comment, hardly minimum of comment, narroly any speech at all, Its major and shocking impact was the physical size of the place, its echoing galleries and arching central dome flanked by tiny rooms. Rarely do the honours of a film go primarily to its sound recording Bur the reality of recordist. But the reality of Strangeways was captured by Michael Turner's skill increcording boots on metal, clanging bells, tin food trays and the awful acoustics of a place unmallowed by currains place unmellowed by curtains,

carpets, softness of any kind. Of course the opening eplsode must necessarily be cur-sory, setting the stage for later-detailed observation. We saw the prisoners eager to be self-justifying, the board of visitors likewise. The governor, Norman Brown. practical, terse, is aware he is simply containing a problem that cannot always he problem that cannot always be contained. And the attempted suicide muffled from our view, unexplained, suppressed.

#### La Bohème

#### Coliseum

#### Stanley Sadie

As Mioni's health, in Wednes-As Mioni's health, in Wednesday's revival of the ENO Bohème, went from bad to worse, so her singing went from good to better. Sally Burgess, singing the role for the first time, began by sounding rather heavy and unwieldy of voice, wanting in the refinement of line that "Michiamano Mimi" needs to make its full effect. And the soft, high notes eluded her, or at least their softness did.

But right from the beginning

there was charm, musicianly Act III there was real passion, real acting with her voice; and by the time she was approach-ing her deathbed she was truly moving—placing the voice perfeculy, yet never sacrificing the essential simplicity. The lower register sounded parti-cularly rich; the top improved to provide an affecting death cene. Her reminiscence of Che gelida manina " was

describing the cultural and emo-tional poverty to which many Dicks and Mandys are con-demned, and the impotence of teachers like the man next door to alleviate it. The hysterical tantrums of awful Gloria, com-Mike Westbrook Round House a little drama for such de-pressed lives. However Leigh Richard Williams

> parts performed by an orchestra of 16 musicians, Mike Westbrook has vindicated the decision be made a decade the Camden Jazz Week on Wednesday, successfully assi-milates all his recent interests

> Most of the sections include settings of poetry, sung by Kate Westbrook and Phil Minton. Each lyric is given in its language of origin, and each receives a custom-built arrangement slashed with the primary orchestral colours of which Mike Westbrook has always been fond.

Rimbaud's withering "Démocratie " is done as a bolero, confidently declaimed a la Lenya by Kate Westbrook; Hesse's "Böse Zeit." appears in a section titled "Berlin", with

beautifully done.
John Treleaven makes a
Rodolfo masculine and sturdy rather than subtle or graceful; clean, generous singing, ardent too, but never poetic. Penelope Mackay's Muserta had style and spirit, and some gorgeous nores.

Hubert Monloup's settings

are ingenious, attractive and atmospheric; Jean-Claude Auvray's staging mostly uses them well, but has its perversities; a production that has Rodolfo move upstairs away from Mimi, as he sings amorously to her; hints at ignorance of the human heart, and the foolish parade during Muserta's Waltz Song But right from the beginning (as do the "freezes") the scene's here was charm, musicianly vivid reakism. Wednesday's perphrasing, and happily express formance, in aid of the Royal sive touches of portaments. In National Institute for the Deaf, was admirably conducted by James Lockhart, returning to the company after nearly 20 years: at first he seemed to be pressing the opera forward with a shade too much energy and jollity, but later he took ample time where it was needed, and throughout the evening obtained polished orchestral applying an ear obviously finely tuned to the expressive qualities of Puccini's tonal palette.

With The Cortège, a suite in ago to abandon she jazz mainstream in favour of a series of involvements with the rock format, mixed-media events, cabaret and a pocket-sized brass band. The present work, which received its London première at the third night of into a music of colour, sub-

stance and character.

soon, alto clarinet and cello interrupting Phil Minton, who by means of clever vocal distortions conveys the sound of a Munch scream; Lorca's Munch scream; Lorca Canción del Naranjo Seco has a fiercely passionate vocal duet and fruiry dissonances athletic trombone, which is also urged on its way by ominously clanging guitar chords.

an astringent little trio of bas-

The tension drops noticeably during "July '79" and the overlong "Enfance", and the amount of space allowed for instrumental improvisation is too generous for the players' abilities, but rising above the rest in imaginative scope are two sections in particular. One is "Knivshult", a lilting Swedish folk ballad sung by Kate Westbrook over a finely detailed background in which shivering harmonics played on guiar and cello discreetly set a disturbing tone; the other Lorca's "Cancion de Jinete", opens and closes with a chilling whispered chorus ("Córdoba e lejana y sola . . . "), the stately progress of its snaredrum tattoo and grieving cello memorably pierced by a celes-

tial trumpet choir.

Often sombre, almost always exhilarating. The Cortege marks a moment of great distinction in Mike Westbrook's career. Careful editing should result in a remarkable record-

Some of the reviews on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions

#### Forthcoming events

#### Offenbach triple bill

The Offenbach 1980 Committee presents its own centenary celebration with an evening of three of the composer's one-act operettas—Ba-ta-clan, The Song of Fortunio and Monsieur Colli-flahr's At Home—at the Queen Elizabeth Hall on Sunday. The operettas will be given concert performances There will be a Hailebury in English by members of evening of choral and instru-Welsh National Opera, the first mental music at Sadler's Wells

fully professional performances of the works in London this century.

Welsh National Opera's new production of Handel's Rodelinda, which opens in January, will be directed by the Romanian-born Andrei Serban, who was the director of WNO's successful Eugene Onegin earlier this year. Before coming to Cardiff, he will be directing Meryl Streep in a new version of Alice in Wonderland on Broadway. He will be joined in Wales by the designer Michael Yeargan, who also designed Onegin. The cast of Rodelinda will include Suzanne Murphy and Eiddwen Harrhy, and the conductor will be Julian Smith. Welsh National Opera's new

The Citizen's Theatre Company from Glasgow will make its first visit to London when it appears at the Round House from December 3 to 13 in a new play by Robert David MacDonald, Don Juan. A previous attempt to bring the company to the Round House foundered because it wanted to charge the same low price for

evening of choral and instru-mental music at Sadler's Wells Theatre on November 9. This will be the school's second visit to the theatre. The concert, which will include pusic which will include music by Bach, Raydn, Copland, Wolf-Ferrari and Weill, will be conducted by Jack Hindmarsh.

found. All seats in Glasgow are

currently 90p, but in London the tickets in December will be £4.00 and £3.00—prices which the Round House says are still

lower than it would normally

Virginia by Luna O Brien, from the lives and writings of Virginia and Leonard Woolf. Directed by Robin Phillips, Virginia will open at the Theatre Royal, Haymarket, or Theatre Royal, Haymark

Martinu's second symphony. completed in 1943, receives itsfirst public performance in: Britain on November 15, by the Young Musicians' Symphony' Orchestra conducted by James Blair at St John's, Smith Square, Aaron Copland's eightieth birth-day, the previous day, is celebrated by the inclusion of his Clarinet Concerto, with Mark van de Wiel as soloist, and the

Vork State Theater, surrounded by paper streamers, conferii and bailtoons, Beverly Silks brought her singing career to an end this week, twenty-five years after her debut with the New York City Opera. She had just finished singing, to the piano accompaniment of Charles Wedsworth, the folk tune she has always used to close her recitals, with her arm laid gently on his shoulder and his mop head bowed over the keys. It was a touching moment: more touching than the showbiz event that had preceded it, and it summed up the direct personal appeal that is Bewerly Silks.

In its own way, the earlier gala likewise summed up Silks's career For prices up to a thousand dollars a tirket one could buy into the event, which included a dinner, the gala and a reception in a huge tent. Some tickets were reserved for the regular opera-goers, and some were raffiled: there was

Book review-

since 1863

The History of Poland

Edited by R. F. Leslie.
(Cambridge £25)
Four surfaces divide between them the history of Poland since 1863, the year of the rising that Palmerston could do nothing to help and which, in a way, sent the young Joseph.
Counad into Russian evils with

Courad into Russian exile with

coorac into Russian exile with his father. R. F. Leslie, the editor, takes the story up to the First World War. He is a Marxist who signals his allegiance clearly enough for the reader to be pur on his

guard. He tries to cut Polish nationalism down to size. "A basic problem of Polish nationalism in the modern and contemporary spoch has been the conflict of distaste for the Russian state with conscious

ness of a common interest with the Russian people", he writes. By far the predominant interest shared by Poles with the Rus-sian people is in the enfeeble

ment or, ideally, destruction of the Russian state.

Antony Polonsky-covers the

period of Pilsudski and his system, from his emergence in

the war as national leader at the expense of numerous com-

the sad, occasionally heartening, occasionally even comical history of Poland since 1948, the

opening of the Cold War and the programme of Stalinization

comic that the grisly oppor-tunist Bierut, chief instru-

ment of the process, should have died of shock at the im-piety of Khrushchev's revela-tions. The parallel between Gomulka and Gierek is made

clear: both came in on a wave

of popular, patriotic enthus

iasm: both came to grief on public discontent enflamed by

economic discress, itself caused by the imperial needs of Russia

and the idiocies of central plan-

ning.
There are books that go

deeper into recent Polish his-

tory (for instance, Adam Bromke's Poland's Politics) and

histories of parts of it (notably Hans Roos's of a few years ago and Richard Hotchkiss's recent

Bitter Harvest) that are more

jointed way this book is usefully

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**Anthony Quinton** 

comprehensive.

for the benefit (the dinner and reception being underwritten by the blue jeans company Murjani, and the gala by a patron), the memories had to suffice. For what was presented onstage, in the second act set for Pledermans (Silks debut opera) was for the most debut opera) was, for the most part, an array of show business folk only peripherally related to her long career. No opera selections were done, only popular and folk items. Thus, Mary Martin in apricot

from Handel to Richard Strauss and Menotti, has bridged the gap between the various musical cultures and has brought all of music under the one tent of her magnetic, outgoing personality. The parade of political figures, from the Mayor to Mrs Mondale and Mrs Lyndon Johnson, only testified to this unification, at once so peculiarly American and distinct from any similar event at the Other New York opera house. Johnson, only testified to this unification, at once so peculiarly American and distinct from any similar event at the Other New York opera house. The audience, restricted perhaps because of the price of admission, seemed a bit reticent in their accolades—this was no onera buff's "mad was no opera buff's "mad night"—reserving their enrhusiasms for the show business folk, and the big band in the tent afterward, a latter day collection of Woody Herman's Thundering Herd, with screaming trumpets and snarling

#### Television bestows its gifts upon cinema Their first days in the dream

Grown Ups London Film Festival

Sir Henry at Rawlinson End (AA) Paris Pullman

Diabolo Menthe (AA) Minema, Knightsbridge

Last week's Variety reported that the current average cost of an American film is something upwards of \$10,000,000—approximately five times the figure for 1972—and that, to recover such an investment recover such an investment, a film must gross some \$40,000,000 at the box office. Since very few films outside the Star Wars class have any hope of achieving this sort of result, the American film industry seems—to the econo-mically unsophisticated mind to be approaching a situation that defeats any ordinary commercial logic.

the expense of numerous competitors, in particular the National Democrats, the antisemitic, comparatively pro-Russian petry gentry who had been urbanized and turned into bureaucrats by nineteenth century economic pressures. Pilsudski really was the saviour of Poland in routing the Soviet invasion of 1920 (and not Weygand), as Norman Davies has shown in his solendid White These are economic circum-stances in which the British film industry has little chance of competing; but, historically, competition with the American film industry has never been a particularly sensible or happy road for the British cinema to pursue. In the past 12 months, in fact, the really interesting shown in his splendid White Eagle, Red Star. His conflict with the ND (oc Endeks) led to films that have been made in this country, and which have attracted some sort of attention and respect abroad, have not endless trouble. Jan Ciechanowski, author of fine book on the Warsaw rising of August 1944, tells the story of war, occupation and the communist takeover, which was at any rate accelerated by the parealistic inability of extremely modest rar/by reaching packets, and Poles in exile to let go of the largely non-Polish regions east of the Curzon line seized by Pilsudski in 1920. In these chapters the statistics, which

dently produced of that smiles have mainted k that tion for the international elsewhere in the book can make British cipema have included attention wander, are grimly memorable. At least six million Poles were killed, half or more Swindle, Black Jack, Babylon of them Jewish; six million Germans fled or were expelled and The Europeans.

(The Europeans is an odd case. Made by a long-established British company, Merchant-Ivery productions, the film has from the new territories won in the west, up to the Oder-Neisse line; six million Poles flowed in to replace them.

Zbigniew Pelczynski covers been strenuously disclaimed by the British film establishment, despite a fair international success, on the grounds that its director is American and it was shot in American locations. Ironically Merchant-Ivory have that ended with the death of the hero, as he puts it, "now shown up [by the Twentieth Congress of the CPSU] as a bungler and murderer," it is now been obliged to register their latest film, adapted from Jean Rhys's Quartet and starring Alan Bates and Maggie Smith, as French, since an Anglo-French agreement does not permit an American to direct a co-production between

the two countries.) Black Jack, Babylon and The Europeans were all backed by the National Film Finance Corporation, whose own annual re-port, published this week, describes how the economic cir-cumstances have changed its function since the time, thirty years ago, when it enjoyed an annual subsidy of £41 million (worth perhaps ten times as much in today's terms) and could give substantial backing to 60 or more pictures:

"The sums that are and will be available to the Corporation for lending are limited. The Corporation cannot therefore presume to take on the responsibility of financing the British film industry. There is no pur-pose in the Corporation's oper-ating as yet another low-



Manville as Dick and Mandy in Grown Ups

to a larger number of films.
Instead the Corporation has a crucial role to play in giving financial assistance to those films which seek a wide audience, but which the industry

considers too risky to support. "Film investment is too speculative for the Corporation to guarantee success but, to be of service to the British cinema. it must support those film-makers who seek not only to predict public taste but to create it ".'

The paradox in the current situation is, that with all the economic constraints, and with the old commercial establishment, at virtual standstill, British cinema is showing signs of more vitality than for years. Next week sees the commercial opening of one National Film pening of one various Frim Finance Corporation protégé, Babylon. Another, Bill For-syth's Gregory's Girl, is showing in the coming London Film Festival, which includes no fewer than 17 brand-new British films. Some are only short subfilms. Some are only short sub-jects; some will undoubtedly turn out to be brave false starts; but enough remain. What is significant is that the whole lot of them, including some full-fledged commercial productions, have certainly

shall, a fantasy on the fallen rural aristocracy of England, it is a rag-bag of comedy styles garnered from the Goons, the financed film company; nor ture. Not one of them has would it be useful for it to found its finance from convenmake small token contributions rional commercial resources. Their funding has come from television, from private contributions or charitable resources, from the British Film Institute Production Fund, from the National Film Schol or from the NFFC itself. be funny sometimes. Sir Henry
—with his philosophy of "If I
had all the money I'd spent on
drink I'd spend ir on drink"
and his private PoW camp for
old time's sake—is played by
Trevor Howard, who is the pic-

Mike Leigh's Grown Ups, which was shown to the press this week, was produced by BBC Television. There is a constant danger that the television work of people like Leigh, Stephen Frears and Stephen Potter simply gets washed by in the great current of dross. It is important, in assessing the state of British cinema in the Eighties, to recognize them as individual works in their own right, and no less important than if they were made for theatrical release. Grown Ups is by any standards a remark-able picture, and confirms that Leigh is a talent as creative and innovative as anybody currently working in films anywhere. It is the greatest possible fallacy to estimate the importance of a as the older one is coming outto estimate the importance of a work on the size of the screen or the scope of the action.

In fact the action of Grown ment. Without any outstanding Ups is entirely confined to two qualities in performance, script neighbouring council houses on or conception, it is still an estate in Coventry. Into one of them move two newly-weds, free and convincing of the awkward age. cost considerably less than a old secondary modern teachers single, average American pic- and his grey gym-mistress wife.

director, Diane Kurys, about a year in the school life of two teenage sisters, children of a broken marriage. School is shown in all its horrors (deten-tions and teachers who may be sadistic or racist) and thrills (runaways and romances). The younger girl is moving imo a "difficult" age of withdrawal wards towards new friendships, awareness and social involveor conception, it is still skilfully enough constructed to be a fast, free and convincing exposition

David Robinson

#### Hansel and Gretel The Other Place Stratford

#### Irving Wardle

I have to eat children more "I have to eat children more and more, it's inflation", David Rudkin's witch, confesses shortly after chopping off Gretel's finger and bandaging the wound so as not to impair her productivity. From which you may glean that whatever this show has in view it is not the Christmas trade.

Something disrespectful is being said about our rulers, but just what it is I cannot discern from a fable that seems to apply equally to censorship. economic cuts, and maltreat-ment of the young, incriminat-ing the abandoned babes parents no less than the witch,

Significance apart, the story is imperfectly told. Put to-gether from Grimm and the tale of the three little pigs, it is the reform of fairy tales. Elsefull of plot details that fail to where she appears as a dear

add up. Why, in spite of the tinger-chopping, does Gretel col-laborate with the enemy? Why does the children's father, last does the children's father, last seen desperately scarching the forest, greet them with exasperation when they finally come home? Mr Rudkin may be offering an equation between family and state authority, but it would need a more coherent narrative than this to make his point. this to make his point.

However, if straight theahowever, it straight their trical vitality were all that counted there would be no complaints from me. In Ron Daniels's production the piece rattles along a roller-coaster track of horror, farce, anachronisms, groan puns, infant fancisms, groan puns, groa tasy, and surrealist excess. it disturbs you, dear, kill it , remarks the witch when her daughter is bothered by a bird. Nothing loath, the ghoulish Olive blazes off with a cannon and brings down a shower of pigeons.

The occasion is an Edwardian public school garden party that the witch graces as a titled lady about to deliver an address on the reform of fairy tales. Else-

who has trouble getting her broomstick to start. It is a gift of a part for Brenda Bruce who dispatches it with zestful variety in an clongated nose.

# Allan Hendrick and Janine Duvitski

Photograph by Donald Cooper old grannie, a fond parent, and sorcerer's apprentice scene for as a swinging member of the the luckless Olive (Barbara local coven ("How do I look?") Kinghorn) and a microwave finale ("Oven scene next: no messing"). Allan Hendrick and f a part for Brenda Bruce who Ianine Duvitski make two lub-lispatches it with zestful variety bery babes in a hell's kitchen n an clongated nose. set by Chris Dyer; and the Other choice items include a whole thing is great fun.

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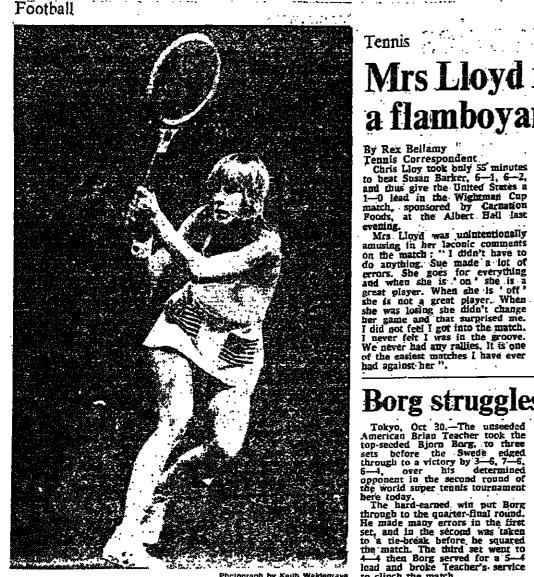
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ALAIN RESNAIS' prize-winning new film MY AMERICAN UNCLE "The best film, from any source, this year" GUARDIAN



Two English castles London in the south and Liverpool and Manchester in the north had their

League Cup hopes strengthened when yesterday's fifth round draw gave them home advantage. Yet none of their potential visitors will need to travel far.

will need to travel far.

Tottenham Hotspor, indeed, have yet to set foot outside the capital. So far they have journed to Orient in the east, Crystal Palace in the south and next Tuesday they entertain Arsenal in a tie postponed at the last minute to enable the various Republic of Ireland internationals to play against France in the World Cup.

Should Tottenham succeed against their close rivals, they need look again only as far as the Underground to go to Upton Park for their fourth successive derby match.

derby march.
West Ham United have their domestic cop bes, they have lost

Bicmingham City have the most daunting task of all at Anfiled. Liverpool's unbeaten home record.

stretches back 76 games to January 21, 1978. The victors that

Angeles 19 1939.

The executive board decided to bold its next meeting in Los Angeles next February when they will see the 1984 competition sites and decide whether the game of

Tennis should be readmitted to the Olympics after more than a half century's absence.

Mrs Berlioux said that practical

details surrounding the reintegra-tion of tennis still remained to be solved. Although the points will

be discussed at the Los Angeles meeting, tennis will not appear in the 1984 Olympics.

In today's meeting, the IOC directors also confirmed the 1984

programme as established this summer. The "all categories" event in judo has been withdrawn

in spite of protests from leaders of the International Federation of Judo, who were in Lausanne to

plead their case. The question of the women's marathon event is

unresolved:
The commission postponed dis-

Table Tennis ...

unchanged

England stay

League: D. Douglas, J. Hilton, P. Day, K. Witt, L. Jarvis, P. Simpson, Zagreb: Day, G. Sandley,

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Huge incentive

for Taiwanese

Taipel, Oct 30.-The Ministry of Education today offered at least \$27,700 to Talwan athletes breaking

Taiwan athletes have long been barred from most individual sports tournament and the Asian

Games. Their participation in the Olympic Games is still pending of

Olympic Games is still pending on the question of the use of the national flag and national authemi-

world or Olympic records.

Athletics

Mrs Lloyd, making sure the United States got off on the

**IOC** to ask countries who

Lausanne, Oct 30.—The Internext Olympic Games in Los national Olympic Committee (10C) Angeles in 1984.

boycotted for explanation

Masson wastes

plea for leniency

Don Masson, captain of the econd division leaders Notts

County, has been banned for three games by the FA disciplinary com-mittee. The former Scottish inter-

mittee. The former Section inter-national midfield player, reached the 20 points mark as a result of being sent off in last month's league cup tie against Queen's Park Rangers and two bookings. Masson, whose ban starts after Tuesday's Anglo-Scottish semi-final

Masson, whose ban starts attentioned at Kilmarnock, said: "I feel that

coming here has been a complete waste of time. Obviously the disciplinary system this season is so cut and dried that it is pointless making a personal plea for

Nick off 7.30 unloss stated, SECOND DIVISION: Cardiff City

is to write to 66 national Olympic committees around the world

demanding an explanation for thetir absence from this year's Olympic Games in Moscow. This

first step towards an investigation of the boycott was decided by the executive board of the IOC, meet-

ing in Lausanne today for the first

time under its new president, Juan

Some national committees, like that of the United States, openly boycotted Moscow in response to

requests from their governments following the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan. "But that does not apply to all the countries which did not send athletes to Moscow," said Monique Berlioux, director of the IOC.

"Some of the 147 national committees had only recently been

recognized. Others had been recognized for years, but has never sent athletes to the Games, because they are small countries and have

The IOC may still impose sanc-tions on some national committees which broke Olympic rules by yielding to political pressures. But there was no sign of action being taken against the United States Olympic Committee that would interfere with the steging of the

Kent claim bad

Kent will stage a cricket week

Lord's after 40 wickets crashed for 362 runs in the match against LEssex this summer.

ensure that the wicket will be up

to first-class standard, we have no

hesitation in deciding to play there

pitch is cured

in view of measures taken to

Cricket

Today's fixtures

Olympic Games

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### Mrs Lloyd makes short work of a flamboyantly defective Briton

By Rex Bellamy
Tennis Correspondent
Chris Lloy took only 55 minutes
to beat Susan Barker, 6—1, 6—2,
and thus give the United States a
1—0 lead in the Wightman Cup
march, sponsored by Carnation
Foods, at the Albert Ball last

Mrs Lloyd was unintentionally amusing in her laconic comments on the march; "I didn't have to do anything. Sue made a lot of errors. She goes for everything and when she is on she is a and when she is on she is a great player. When she is off she is not a great player. When she was losing she didn't change her game and that surprised me. I did not feel I got into the match. I never felt I was in the groove. We never had any rallies, It is one of the easiest matches I have ever had against her ".

to clinch the match.

Borg, aged 24, five times Wimbledon champion, is attempting to

now historic day, though, were Birmingham themselves by 3—2 with goals from Bertschin, Emmanuel and Francis. Their manager then was Sir Alf Ramsey.

manager them was Sir Alf Ramsey. Sadly, one of the remaining giant killers may be slain by the other. Cambridge United, stuttering along in the middle of the second division, have already disposed of the holders. Wolverhampeager eyes on three pieces of silverware. Clear favourites to win the second division championship, they should reach the last eight

the second division championship, they should reach the last eight of the European Cup Winners' Cup at the expense of Politebnica Timisoara of Romania next week and they have yet to begin their FA Cup defence. Of their last 17 ton Wanderers, and Aston Villa. They then held on for a 1—1 draw at Coventry and must try again next Tuesday at Abbey Stadium. Awalting the outcome are

Awaiting the outcome are Waiford, whose list of impressive victims include Southampton in the third round, to the time of 7—1 in the second leg, and Forest, John Bond, who bade farewell to the League Cup when he was in charge at Norwich, is still wel.

win his twenty-first international cap on Sunday at Bradford. Whit-taker had to be content with a

place on the bench during the first international at Wigan, but his chances are bright for Sun-

day's game, since Dickinson aggravated a knee injury at War-rington on Wednesday, and must be doubtful.

The Kiwis yesterday picked both Dickison and Whittaker in their party for Odsal, and have added the names of a utility player, Frohm and a reserve scrum half, Varley to the fifteen on duty in the first international. The team is: O'Donnell', Fisher, Leuluali, Whittaker or Dickison, O'Hara,

Rugby League

The match, such as it was, was certainly an anti climax after the pomp of a spectacular opening, ceremony. There is always a special ambience about the Albert Hall, with its circular, inward facing cliffs. Tiddleywinks would be dramatic in such an environment. The crew of court officials mentally, she was in top gear. But it was never necessary to transform that attimde into tennis of a comparable quality. Miss Barker special ambience about the Albert Hall, with its circular, inward facing citiffs. Tiddleywinks would be dramatic in such an environment. The crew of court officials were dinner jackets, a rather charming eccentricity that the Americans must have thought typically British.

The score was an accurate reflection of the difference in class between the players, though it has to be remembered that Miss Barker

Malcolm Allison, will openly em-brace the chance to return to Maine Road but Nobby Stiles, Preston's manager and an old

Watford v Coventry or Cambridge West Ham v Tottenham or Arsenal

Man City v WBA or Preston

International call awaiting Whittaker

The Great Britain team will be chosen today, and there are question marks against the stand-off half position and in the front row. It is likely that the experienced Warrington half back, Reily, will wear the No 6 jersey for the injured Hardey, with the younger Evans, recently recovered from injury, kept for the Under-24 international at Fulham next Wednesday. In the front row Skerrett will probably be ruled out by injury, giving Glyn Shaw, formerly of Neath and Wales, his first Great Britain cap.

Shaw must feel that he has a good chance of playing since he has turned down the opportunity to market with former Weish

has turned down the opportunity to parade with former Welsh Rugby Union internationals before

The draw:

usually disappoluting. Her per-formance was illuminated by flamboyant defective shotmaking, but these were far outweighed by only recently resumed competition and is short of matchplay: "For something like this you need to be match tight and I am not." she said later. Miss Barker said it was the first time she had been nervous throughout a match "and this was a bad start for Britain.

#### Borg struggles to overcome Teacher

rivals Dundee and Ayr United meet in the other de. Dundee are the giantidilers following their 1—0 win over Aberdeen last night. It was the first sine in eight cup draws that Dundee have successfully managed to avoid Celtic when both sides were still involved.

Last time the clabs by-passed Dundee and Ayr will meet on November 5 and 19, with Dundee United taking on Celtic at home on November 12, with the return leg a week later.

leg a week later. The draw:

One player who will miss Sunday's game through injury received a two-mark suspension period at the disciplinary committee meeting yesterday. David Watkinson, of Hull Kingston Rovers, is doubly unfortunate in that he misses the Yorkshire Cupfinal against Leeds tomorrow week. Fulbam, whose playing staff is being stretched thinly by injury, lost two forwards through suspension. Lester receiving a three-mark punishment, and Gourley one. Other suspensions included Walters (Hull), two matches, and McCurrie (Wakefield Trinity). Thompson (Bradford Northern), and O'Loughlin (Workington Town), one match each.

One player who will miss Sun-

Tanner and Eliot Teltscher, were bearen today, but the second-seeded Jimmy Connors, of the United States, the third-seeded Ivan Lendl, of Czechoslovakia, the sixth-seeded John Sadri of the United States and his eighth-seeded compartiot Victor Amaya won through to the last eighth-seeded compartiot Victor Amaya won through to the last eighth-seeded compartiot victory by 6-3, 3-6, 6-4, over Teltscher, the No.5 seed, today. Connors, the runner-up here last year, easily beat his compatitot Vincent van Patten, 6-2, 6-1. Connors will now meet another. American, Pat Dupré, aged 26.

### Cup draw makes Tottenham feel at home the hopes Manchester City. His goalkeeper, Corrigan, airdeay has two winners' medals from 1970 and 1976 when Tueart, who guided them through with four goals against Notts County on Wednesday, scored the winner against Newcastle United.

The Scottish League Cup final will have a lop-sided look about it when the finalists take their places at Hampden Park, on December 6.

December 6.

Hampden has been pencilled in as the probable venue, but only one of the four clubs still in contention comes from Glasgow in the semi-final round draw yesterday Celtic meet the holders Dundee United in an all-premier division match while first division rivals Dundee and Ayr United meet in the other rie.

# of Glasgow

Celtic alone bear

Preston's manager and an old favourite at Old Trafford, would also relish the opportunity. He might even display one of his once famous roothless grins.

castle United.

City are the third side to lend an ear to next week's replay result. They will entertain either Preston North End, also wallowing in the second division, or West Bromwich Albion, finalists three times but winners only once. Barnes and Owen, sold by Malcolm Allison will ornelly end.

# Watt must beware rough house apply feet sign of the tank and shamrock

Boxing Correspondent

After watching Jim Watt, of Scotland, beat Howard Davis, of the United States, early in June on television, my mum said:

"That's the best houng march "That's the best horing match I've ever seen. The boxers did not hurt each other."

I can see how the boat looked like that. The stylish Davis was unable to get round. Watt's extended right hand, and the Scet. with his straight punching, can make boxing look easy. And, of course, the bout ended up with the most colosial and spontaneous hur of all time.

I do not think she will be able to say the same about Watt's de-

relevision).

O'Grady has a record of 73 wins.

In 74 bours, 55 of them inside
the distance. Not many of them
have been against top-rated
opponents but, then, they have
one all have manifest rubbish.

to show him the ropes. He can turn make if he cannot have his yay in the ring. He has fast hands and can lift hard and his, father said yesterday that had Sean been. She to prepare for eight weeks instead of three he would have knocked Watt out. As it is, he is not even certain that his son will be able to pace himself.

He more or lets admitted that his son could run but of steam; and Wart, who comes on strongly in later rounds, could knock him out. There also seems to be some disarray in the O'Grady camp the father being against, laking the bout at short notice but bowing to the majority family decision in seize the chance. But on Wedness day, even Mrs O'Grady was beginning to have doubts. One show on Scottish television.

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mains a distinct deoper to wait. delayed The boot was or the his emerald green truines he scheduled to take place I cardes a motif of a take all a douders on November is be a picrograph expert to know withdraw and now the that that means trouble. I fear promoter who submitted the champion may be in for some econd highest offer, he rough houses, rougher even the promoter who submitted the those one sees on the road had. The Enrichem Boning on the povements to the Kersin has invited are offers in Hall in the early hours:

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O'Grady demonstrates the serious art of biowing bubblegum

Rugby Union

#### Martin's chance to equal a Welsh reco

By Peter Walker Whatever witches Whateyer witches are abroad in ales this evening they'll be taring red and white scarves to keep themselves warm Bur the temperature inside the National ground, Cardiff Arms Park to-morrow afternoon is likely to soar well above blood heat as By Keith Macklin

Ah Kuoi, Smih; Broadhurst, Rushton, K. Tamati, West. Coll., Grathe New Zealand party, their centre threequarter John Whittaker, could reclaim his place and



experience will equal be seen as well record of 32 caps of a second row
forward. The anxiety over the fits
ness of scroms half Terry Holmes
evaporated during the two-hour
session at the Polices ground at
Bridgen. Holmes, who has played
little first class rughy since dam-Bridgen. Holmes, who has played little first class rugby since damaging, a knee and shoulder in South Africa; had finished Tuesday's session liming slightly. A little puffiness around the knee has responded to treatment and yesterday he moved without apparent discomfort.

The task feeling Walser is enough. The task facing Wales is enormous. Niae of the side who lest 13—12 in Cardiff two years ago against New Zealand, Holmes,

remyler. Garein Davies, Frice, importhodox Squire. Commell and Ringer, will will be not be well aware of the size of the may pertia problem fading them tomorrow in picking, afternoon. With the All Black's be eight impressive record of having beaten went to Sc Wales in their last six encounters, Lion replanting managed one has to go back to making musting must be made to making must be them. Ironically the replacement of Eddle Butler have present wheel by Martin enlarges Welsh with the mos prized opport options rather than reducing a Welsh rugby player's lift them. The salectors had taken 2

gamble on picking Wheel and Quinnell, two basic non-fumpers, in the second row. The idea was to give first cap Gareth Williams to give first cap Gareth Williams a free role at mumber eight and, having watched the All Blacks dominate the lineout in their four victories over local clubs, the Welsh planned to use a great number of short lineouts on their own throw in counteract the sprenger of Andy Haden. With Markin included, the home side now have a six foot four inches figure to pose a serious challenge in this department and in consequence, a more ordiodox setsequence, a more orthodox set-piece pattern is likely to emerge. But to beat the Ali Blacks, rugby's Holy Grail to Welshmen,

scored six tries against GI rwo weeks ago will beer youngest Welsh cap since Newportonian Keith Jarremade history with his 14-agginst England at Cardii Park on his debut in 1967. left foot. At 13} stone he. like a back row forwa. tackles like one. Temperan he will not be at all over.

Bristol's captain Alan who has scored 10 tries thi has warned his side against ing an easy game against B

# West Country cricketers through the eyes of an East Coker man

# Of Australians, picnics and mob rule

cussion of the problem of national flags and anthems until the next A book by David Foot (From Grace to Botham, Redcliffe Press, £4.50) has stirred my memories. David Foot was born in East. Coker, and in spite of all temptations to belong to other nations, remains a West Country man. He is a journalist much read and liked down here: a careful observer, and a competent writer, who sometimes rises above competence; and would do so more often if he thought more about: "The implerable wrestle with words and meanings" (to quote another East Coker man).

Still, this is a good book about Olympic conference, scheduled for September, 1981, in Baden-Baden, Some countries have asked that no national flags and archems should be displayed at future Olympic ceremonics in an effort to depoliticize the Games.

England's table tennis team will be unchanged for the European League super division marchagainst Yugoslavia in Zagreb on. Thursday, November 13. England face a busy period in the next two months, taking partin the Yugoslavian International Championships in Zagreb from November 19-22; and international championships at Karlskrona (Sweden) from November 27-30 and at Every (France) ENGLAND TEAMS: European League: D. Douglas, J. Hilton. Coker man).

Still, this is a good book about West Country cricketers, a subject upon which he is qualified to write, because he has spent much of his life watching them. He writes essays on more than 40 cricketers, and shorter notices of over 50 others. I have one criticism. The title does not fit the contents. He confines minself to players who have performed for Somerset and Gloucesterhire. Leave aside the old argument that the West Country does not begin the West Country does not begin the West Country does not pegan
until Taunton (you can hardly
expect someone from East Cokerto accept it) but what of the
other counties? Devon has produced many excellent crickenes,
some of whom played in first-class
cricket, others of whom chose not cricket, others of whom chose not in. Surely, among their current side, D. I. Yeahsley, a veteran of many matches for the Minor Counties, deserves a mention; and before him there was D. M. Cole, who won the Wilfred Rhodes award for the Minor Counties' crickets; of the year.

Roger Tolchard, of Torquay, played for Leicestershire and England. One brother also played for Leicestershire, and a third is in the present Devon team. Len Coldwell, of Newton Abbot, played for Worcestershire and England. world or Olympic records.

A reward of \$13,850 will go to anyone who breaks the Asian Games record, according to a decision reactied at a meeting sponsored by the Ministry with sports leaders participating. The rewards will be given, is the form of "scholarships" together with medals, to be presented once every at months. David Turner, of Hampshire, was born in Wiltshire, Michael Harris, now of Nottinghamshire, was born at St. Just in Roseland; Cornwall, where the lovely little churchward slopes down into the sca. The Reverend G. L. O. Jessop was a considerable player: an innings I saw him play at Camborne for Dorset gave me a vivid impre-sion of how his father must base hatted. I think Mr Foot should have cast his net more widely, and imaginatively.

I suppose, even so, it would



Roger Tolchard, a man from Torquay deserving of mention.

have been hard to make a case for getting Halfyard in. Halfyard was born in Middlesex, played for Kent and then, after a spell as an umpire (caused by an injury) for Nottinghamshire. He then played for Durham, Northamberland, and family Comment, hefore becoming finally Cornwall, before becoming an umpire again. He is a tough and cheerful character, a kind of junior Bill Alley. He rook of wickets for Cornwall in 1974, at under 10, and his next two seasons were almost as prolific.

But, still, Mr Foot, having chosen his ground; covers it thoroughly, and is good on some of the less famous characters. I liked his piece on H. T. Hewett. Hewett was a left-handed batsman, usually an opener, who cap-tained Somerset in the early 1890s, properly described as "gruff" in 1892 he and Palairet had put on 346 for the first wicket against Yorkshire at Taunton, then the highest recorded opening partnerhis county committee, the most famous when the Australians paid their first visit to Taunton. The tale has a contemporary ring. It was a wet day, at least the pitch

was wet, and there were dark clouds, and the umpires and cap-tains decided to call it off. The Australians went off for a picuic on the Quantocks. People had come from far and near, many tak-ing the day from work, and obicted, when the clouds began to lift. The committee and the um-pires, possibly in some physical danger, decided a start could be made i nihe afternoon, and messengers were sent off to summon the Australians. So there was some play, but Hewett never forgave the committee, since the decision to abandon play had already been made. He had a detestation of what I suppose he would have called "mob rule".

This was even more strikingly This was even more strikingly illustrated at, of all places, a Scarborough Festival. Hewett was captaining "An England XI" against Yorkshire. Again there was a large crowd, again play was delayed because of prior rain. Oddly, on this occasion Hewett had been in favour of starring, but bowed to the umpires' decision. When play did start, he led out his rean and was heavely brood.

no further part in the match. The Rev R. S. Hoimes, in Cricket, seld this was "bad form, and quite inworthy of a sportsman". The Cricket Field, however, approved of him, and said that his action was "likely to direct attention; to the question of how far a gentleman, who plays a game for his own amusement, is a servant of the public and at the beck and call of an uncomplimentary the public and at the beck sind call of an uncompilmentary crowd there are gentlement who will not, merely because they are attractive harsmen, submit to public and unmerited abuse? I was also preased to see that, among the early heroes, Mr. Foot did not forget J. J. Ferris, Ferris was an Australian, who might have become a Gloucesters fire equivalent of Sam Woods. He tame to England, aged 21, in 1888 (a series in which Sam, then at Cambridge, also played for Australia), and took 220 wickets at 14. He and Turner, who sook 314 at 11, were the only Australiaa bowlers to count that season. bowlers to count that season.

"Bowl they had to, and bowl they did", wrote H. S. Alibam, Somebody probably W.G. lured Ferris imo a few seasons for Gloucestershire, and he is now considered to
have played for "England", on
one of the early tours of South
Africa. He took 13 wickets in his
one-Test for England; and 130 for
Gloucestershire. But unlike Sam,
he did not settle in the wast—he
was not the kind of man to settle
anywhere. He died young, after
fighting in see Boer War.

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It is as much for his recollections these and other distant players as for his more modern commen-taries, that I shall value Mr. Root's book. But he is good on the accepted ones as well. I suppose it is always too easy, when writing about a book of this kind, to pick those who have been less out. those who have been left out; but it does astonish me that he has no paragraph for Colin McCool, another Australian, who frequently bowled England out is the 1946; series, and later gave Somerse five faithful years, at a time when they were in trouble. Colin liked the west, and did, I think, contemplate settling here. He decided against it in the end, with the word: "No. in "Strilla, there's no winter, and the beet's better". Then a pause. "And the bloody of collections and the set and the bloody of collections and the set and the bloody.

Alan Gibson

#### Cotton picked among fiv Lancashire changes

Fran Cotton who left the British Lions during their recent tour of South Africa with a suspected heart stigck, recovers his place as prop forward for Laucashire in tomorrow's match against North tomorrow's match against North-umberland at Gosforth Lancashire have made five changes in all to the side who defeated Cumbria 12—0.

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Jim Syddall (Waterioo) has had to withdraw because of a shoulder injury suffered in the Cumbria match a week ago.

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Ian McKle (Sale) has been called up in Syddall's place. He played at number eight for Lancashire for two matches last season. Hooker, Colin Fisher and centre John Heaton are seektors changes. The other changes involve the release of the first way. the release of the full back Kevin O'Brien (Broughton Park) at the request of the Irish selectors earlier this week and now the withdrawal of Syddall. Cornwall make two changes in the side to meet Devon at Redruth

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lose six key players to tenary match in Cardiff.
But Morley says "Their
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Richards, who made h
county against Devon last the side to meet Devon at Redruth of November 8 after their win over Somerset at Camborne last Saturday. The hooker Duffelen (Leicester) returns while Coria moves from flank forward to lock in place of Ranford, the Camborne player. Trudgeon of St Ives takes over from Corin at wing forward. There is still no place for Gloucester's record points scoring full back. Butler in the side to meet the English champion Leicester at Kingsholm tomorrow.

The place is held by Paul Ford. the place is held by Paul Ford, the youngest son of the former imernational Peter Ford. He has been a member of the side that took the ground records of Pontypool and Nothingham within the last 10 days, and that also beat Clifton so convincingly in midweek.

Another county player Wood has still not regained his place in the back-row.

Gloucester show just one change from the side that beat Cliffon: Mogg returns from injury to displace Conway, on the wing. Butler

county against Devon last day, has opted for Brist England schools internation is an art student, believes Bath visit Harlequins val Trick back in the state of the late of the be out for several w Covernry, after six defeats, have dropped their backs, including

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#### POOLS PROMOTERS ASSOCIATION

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shadov flanada 11-3, 11-1 and meets
e idea Bitzuyo Tani of Japan for a place Per w! It the semi-fluids.

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Other British successes came om Ray Stevens who heat Jeff coldworthy of Canada, 15-10, 15-9 and Paula Kilvington who disposed if Hiroma Ishida of Japan, 11-7, and Carland's Dan Transes went

nl-7. Scotland's Dan Travers went put 15-1, 15-3 to Diaz Gonzales of exico.

# rough holy Rathconrath should find his feet over fences today

Racing Correspondent

It needs no imagination to picture John Francome enjoying a field day at Sandown Park this afternoon as he strives to consolidate his attempt to become the champion jockey under National Hunt rules a third time. Experiment (1.0); Rathconrath (2.30) and News King (3.0) look like three winners that Francome should ride for Fred Winter. Ankas (3.30) could easily be a fourth, for Tim Forster.

Rathconrath, my selection for the October Novices Steeplechase, is arguably the best horse on new today. Four seasons ago he won both the Yellow Pages Hurdle at Kempton Park and the Victor Ludorum Hurdle at Haydock Park and, was then unlucky not to do better than finish only fourth in the Triumph Hurdle at Cheltenham.

At the start of the following season he looked a live contender for the Champion Hurdle itself but things began to go wrong and since then he has been plagued with leg trouble. As a result he has run only once since he last won in the autumn of 1977.

Newmarket programme

IISHANDENHAM HANDICAP (£2,344 : 13m)

1.45 NOVEMBER CLAIMING HANDICAP (£1,501 : 6F)

talk like that about a horse who has never run in a steeplechase. But then he also said much the same before he went out to ride Snowtown Boy at Ascot on Wednesday and what happened? They came to grief at the eighth fence. With luck, things will work out better today.

Earlier in the afternoon I will not be surprised if the Prince of Wale's racing colours are carried to victory in the Bourne Leisure Handicap Steeplechase by Allibar before he enjoys a spell out hunting in preparation for a crack at next year's Grand Military Gold Cup. The way that he finished at the end of three miles at Ludlow last Friday suggested that Allibar would be even more effective over a longer distance and that is precisely what he faces this afternoon cisely what he faces this afternoon when he will be ridden by Richard Linley instead of his enthusiastic

At Wincanton yesterday, Diamond Edge won the Terry Biddle-come Challenge Trophy but once again his jumping left something to be desired, on occasions. The since then he has been plagued to be desired on occasions. The wish leg trouble. As a result he fences there are not stiff yet the way he went through the last open way he went through the last open ditch would have spelt trouble elsewhere. Still, his trainer Fulke beginning fraces on the schooling for the schooling for the schooling of the schooling for the schooling for the schooling for the school with the way things went and said that his horse's next objective must be the King George to be school with the way things went and said that his horse's next objective must be the King George on the school way he want through the last open and said that his horse's next objective must be the King George on the school way he went through the last open also way he way he way he way through the last open also way he way through the last



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John Francome: should have a field day.

which would increase his weight to 12 st 5 lb. Walwyn added that he sincerely Walwyn added that he sincerely believes it is absurd to penalize a horse in the famous Newbury Steeplechase for winning a race worth only £2,000 after the weights have been published. "That is one way to drive away the good horses, not attract them", he reasoned with some justification. Walwyn rounded off the day in style by saddling Loanan to win the second division of the Nether Wallop Hurdle.

Wallop Rurdle. Phillip Hobbs did not have a particularly happy ride on the Gold Cup winner Master Smudge who finished only fourth. But earlier in the day things went better as he won first the Natisworth Novices steeplechase on Tower Bridge, and then the Win-Tower Bridge and then the Win-canton Group Challenge Cup on his father's mare, Gay Part.

Sandown Park NH programme

1.30 PIRBRIGHT CHASE (Handicap: £2,183: 2m)

| Early Soring (C.D), R. Turnell 10-11-1 | 1sto Of Man (C.D), F. Walwyn, 13-11-1 | 1149-44 | Sabd. D. Nicholson, 6-11-1 | 0.02434 | Goffa Deacher, Mrs A. Finch, 0-10-8 | Brother Will, L. Kennard, 8-10-8 | 3071-10 | Sungarri, (Cl. J. Gifford, 8-10-8 | Sungarri, (Cl. J. Gifford, 8-10-8 | 3071-10 | Sungarri, (Cl. J. Gifford, 8-10-8 | Sungarri, (Cl. J. Gifford,

#### Sparkie's Choice not overburdened for shotgun

by winning the Supermaster Handicap at Wetherby today. His trainer Nevtlie Crump, first took out a licence in 1937 but has only won the Hennessy on one occasion with Springbok in 1967. Sparkie's Choice has been allotted ibst 4lb in the first of the season's important long distance handicaps. Success this afternoon would mean a 5lb penalty for this improving seven-year-old. However, the Hennessy often falls to one of last season's novices and Sparkie's Choice has the right credentials for this test of endurance.

At Ayr last time out, Sparkie's Choice showed a fine blend of speed and stamina when bearing Tommy Joe by four lengths. Improving steadily in the straight, he west clear on the flat for a comfortable victory. Although Sparkie's Choice has been reassessed as a result of that victory, the gelding still does not appear to be overburdened.

That genius of a National Hunt trainer Peter Easterby, has yet to win a Hennessy. However, both his candidates this year, Father Delaney and Prominent King are running this afternoon. Father Delaney and Prominent Ring are running this afternoon. Father Delaney is: reported to be the more forward of the pair. This remarkable eight year old made wonderful improvement last season. A beaten favourite at Market Rasen in August 1979, he then progressed by such leaps and bounds that his five victories included triumphs in the Massey-Ferguson Gold Cup and the Tote Pattern Chase at Kempton.

On his Sinal outing of the season Father Delaney might well have

On his final outing of the season Father Delaney might well have beaten Royal Mail in the Whit-

Easterby ran riot at the first Wetherby meeting of the season, saddling five winners during the

possible that he could achieve the same foat today. His runners in the other races are Galatch (1.0), Charter Flight (2.0), Clayside (2.30), Netherton (3.0), and Fra-sass (3.30). This is a formidable quinter who possess chances as good as any other runners in their respective races. At Southwell resterday another formidable northern jumping stable

bread Gold Cup but for taking complete charge of Alan Brown in the back straight. Even so, he rallied so gamely up the final hill that he was only a length behind the winner at the line. Father Delaney could well developino a leading fancy for the Cheltenham Gold Cup. A good run today would unconducedly see a drastic reduction in his present odds of 20 to 1 for the Hennessy in which he has been given 11st. The sands of the 1880 flat racting season are now slipping away fars through the hottom of the glass. There is a strong and competitive card on the opening day The sands of the 1580 flat racing season are now slipping away fast through the bottom of the glass. There is a strong and competitive card on the opening day of Newmarket's final meeting this afternoon. But finding the winners has become something of a lottery because so many horses are losing their form. Michael Jarvis's stable on the other hand, still seems to be in the best of health. His three-vear-old, Claudius Secondus could be the one to be un in the Royston Stakes. Although he statted at 8 to 1, when beating Sashka at Warwick there was a certain amount of confidence behind the colt. Claudius Secondus must have a good chance of following up that success.

#### Fined for underpayment -

"Ginger" McCain, who trained Red Rom to win three Grand Nationals, was fined £250 by the disciplinary committee of the Jockey Club in London yesterday for the undernayment of stable kind brought by the Jockey Club, the committee considered evidence who was paid £45 per week by McCain, £18 less than the

for stable staff of £63—in force since August 1 this year.

Speaking after the hearing, McCain, who was not legally represented, said: "The Stewards were very fair. They played it by the book. She was dismissed because she was a moderate stable girl and an indifferent rider. My staff are now paid the minimum wage, but whether I can afford to continue to do so, is another matter. However, I am fortunate to have an income outside racing, which is not true of all trainers".

30 OCTOBER CHASE (Novices: £1,216: 2m)
2 1201-12 Spin Again, D. Moriey, 5-11-10
0-0000 Colonel Squire, P. Butler, 8-12-5
0 0003-03 Glen Berg, F. Walwyn, 5-11-5
0 0003-03 Glen Berg, F. Walwyn, 5-11-5
0 0003-04 Rathconrath, F. Winter, 7-11-5
0 00006-1 Ton Pointer, D. Nicholson, 5-11-5
443044 Yalo Sey, R. Hodges, 6-11-5 3.0 HINCHLEY WOOD HURDLE (Handicap: £1,814: 2m)

# 3.30 WATERLOO HURLE (Div II: novices: £769: 2m) Sandown Park selections

#### Wetherby NH programme

2.0 BOURNE LEISURE CHASE (Handicap: £2,506: 3m 5f)



Emperor. 14-1 interest 28-1 others.

1.20 SUPERMASTER CHASE (Handicap: £2,599: 3m 100vd)
2 121442: Erather Delsary (C), M. H. Fasierby, R-11-12 ... A.
2 Prominant King, M. H. Easierby, R-11-12 ... Mr. T. E.
3 b113-11 Sparke's Choice (CD), N. Crum, 7-10-5 ... Mr. T. E.
10 1u222-u Silent Valley (CB), I. Jordon, 7-10-5 ... N. Doin
11 12-12-2 Silent Valley (CB), M. Dickinson, 7-10-5 ... N. Doin
12 240-223 Carrent Gold (CD), M. Dickinson, 7-10-5 ... R. Earns
14 3121u2- Sugaraily, G. Fairbaim, 7-10-0 ... P.
16 440-80c Irish Teay (CB), N. Crump, 12-10-0 ... P.
17-2 Sparke's Choice, 2-1 failer Delsay, 9-2 Ballydonach, 11-2 ProKing, 7-1 Current Gold, 8-1 Silent Valley, 14-1 Sugaraily, 16-1 Irish To 2.0 GREEN HAMMERTON HURDLE (Handicap: £1,019: 21m) OGREEN HAMMERTON HURDLE (Handicap: £1,019: 21m)

Chokware, M. H. Easterby, 5-12-7

A. Brown

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1-15072 Chokware, W. A. Siephenson, 6-11-9 R. Lamb

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1-15072 Charles, M. B. Jarvis, 5-11-2 T. Carmody

1-15072 Chokware, M. H. S. Camacho, 6-11-1 D. Oidiam 4

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3.0 BOSTON SPA CHASE (Handicap: Amateur Riders: £1,665; 21m 100yd)

2 m 100yd)

1 3121-0u Castle Arch (CD), R. Woodhousp, 8-11-10 ... J. Sharp 7
2 34110-1 Leastle Arch (CD), R. Woodhousp, 8-11-10 ... G. Condall 4
3 22233-4 Metherton, M. R. Basterby, 1-11-0 ... G. Condall 4
3 -12124 Twidale, J. Wilson, 7-11-0 ... Mrs G. Recept, 2
5 31-0221 Robbie's Park, K. Olley 6-11-2 ... Mrs G. Recept, 7
1140-40 Park Row, J. Alder, 7-10-11 ... Miss V. M 3.30 THORP ARCH HURDLE (Div II: novices: 3 y o: £572: 2m) A Brown
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Also Chamber J. Francome 120-1;
Mr T Thomson Jones (11-R fav) †
Moles Chamber J. Francome 120-1; 2
Withymans Peol M. Ayliffe 150-1; 3
ALSO RAN; 9-2 Tularowend, 15-2
Franca 12-1 Autoroute bi. 14-1
Cornish Rhansody 1p. Country Out
/4th). Str Loster, 20-1 Flying Colours,
The Fallem Kingh 1: 3-3-1 Danacon
Helm Kingh 1: 3-3-1 Danacon
Helm Kingh 1: 3-1 Danacon
Riverbed (s. Doallino Dukes
Charlesion My Lurobird, 22 ran. NR:
Misty Fantan.
TOTE Win. 24n; places, 18p. 58p.
52, 35; dual forecast, £1.6; CSF. 3 30 (3.36) NETHER WALLOP HUR-OLE (Div II: \$571.2m) LOANAN, br 9, by Borcon—Sanla Luna (L. Thwalles), 4-10-10 K Mooney (4-1), 1 The Stirrer ... R. Linjer (1-1) lay 2 Eggleton Lad ... C (174 / 33-1), 3 ALSO RAN 7-2 Sadedsh, 6-1 Tre-

2.30 CLIFFORD CHASE (Novices:

Southwell

12.45 1. Rodnael (4-7 fav.: 2 Conchid (6-1): 3. Pink God (20-1), 12 fan. Conchid (6-1): 3. Pink God (20-1), 12 ran.

1 15-1. Lucky Easte (4-6 fav.; 2. Clover General (11-1): 3. General 20 (55-1): 12 ran.

1 15-1. 10 rangehill (12-1): 2. Henry Holfoot (7-8 lt lay): 5. Parinerplan (9-1): 10 ran.

2 15-1. Kelso Chami (5-2 fav.; 2 ran.)

2 15-1. Othman (9-2 lt lay): 2. Kelliope (20-1): 3. Andique Seeler (9-2 lt fav.; 20 ran.

5.15-1. Hazy isle (16-1): 2. Llarca Prince (10-1): 3. Dear Remus (5-1).

Northern Devoatch 5-1 fav.; 3. Jimmy Rolf (7-5-1): 18 ran.

the City University, told Talbor on Wednesday that he had a vision he would face a crucial 15ft putt on the 18th green at the end of the 54-hole tournament, and it

all came true. Treasure, in fact, holed a 22(t) put at the 18th for on eagle three, forcing a sudden death play-off with Steve Harrison and Peter Retherington. a 20-year-old accounts student from Brampton.

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## Application form certificate ambiguous

Ogston v Miller
Before Lord Justice Donaldson and
Mr Justice Forbes
[Judgment delivered October 29]
One of the questions in the
application form, for a shorgun
certificate was much too vague,
the Divisional Court said, and their

the Divisional Court said, and their Lordships urged the Secretary of State to give urgent consideration to its amendment.

The question—question 12—is: "Have, you been convicted of any offence other than minor traffic offences?" The applicant has to answer "yes" or "no".

The court had, been asked by the prosecutor whether North Yorkshire magistrates, sitting at Settle, were correct in dismissing an information against Christopher Robin Miller that he made a false statement for the purpose of obtaining a shotgun certificate, contrary to section 26(5) of the Firearms Act, 1988. The magistrates had decided that there was no case to answer on the ground that the contrary to section the program of the programs.

no case to answer on the ground that the expression "minor traffic offences" was not defined.

Section 2651 reads: "It is an offence form person to make any statement which be known to be false for the before the second to the second to be false for the second to the second whether for the purpose of procuring whether for himself or for any other person, the grant or renewel of a certificate under this Act."

Mr. John W. Haines for the prosecutor; Mr P. H. Walker for the defendant

the defendant.

LORD JUSTICE DONALDSON said that the problem under the Act and the Shotgun Rules made under it was that the prescribed under it was that the prescribed application form for the grant of the certificate asked for the personal particulars of the applicant including question 12. Nowhere in the form was there given a definition of "minor traffic offences".

The defendant filled in the form stating "no" to guestion 12. He The defendant filled in the form stating "no" to question 12. He handed the form to a police constable and was interviewed later. He was asked whether he had convictions for driving without due care and attention, failing to give a breath test and driving with excess alcohol. The defendant admitted the convictions and was asked why he had not answered "yes" instead of implying that he had not been convicted of any offences, the defendant replied that he had honestly believed that the offences of which he had been convicted would be classified as minor offences and that he thought that the question itself referred

had no convictions.

The magistrates considered in great detail what could be the possible definition of "minor traffic offences" and whether the words meant traffic offences punishable only by fine or offences punishable only by a magistrates court. COURT.

It was contended by the prosecutor that the offences of which the defendant had been convicted were not minor traffic offences but that that was a matter for the magistrates The defendant contended that there was no case to answer because there was no definition of "minor traffic offences" either in the Act or in the form. either in the Act or in the form, or in any decided cases, and it was of fundamental importance that where criminal offences were concerned the law should be certain and should not depend on the opinion of magistrates. The question was ambiguous even from a grammatical point of view. Did it mean minor offences in the sense of traffic offences, or traffic offences of a minor the sense of traffic offences. Or traffic offences of a minor nature? The defendant said that it was shown, by his reply to the constable, he had thought the former, contrasting in his mind traffic offences with criminal offences.

His Lordship said that it was record in proposale that people

His Lordship said that it was wrong in principle that people should be asked to say "yes" or "no" to a question which was not at all clear. The offence under section 26:5) was directed at a person who made a statement which he knew to be false. Whether the statement made by the defendant was false or not was a question of fact for the magistrates to decide. It would have been better if, instead of dismissing the case, the mazistrates had allowed the defendant to be questioned in the witness box so that they could assess for themselves the credibility of his themselves the credibility of his

The court had been informed that the Secretary of State was considering the revision of the application form. Their Lord-ships would invite his attention to question 2 and suggest to him that it was one which needed urgent reconsideration in order to pro-duce a clear question to which there could be a clear answer. Solicitors: Mr W. A. Harrison, Northallerton; Newstead & Walker, Otley.

partners. as partners, had a specific right against the estate of a former partner of one of them to be recouped the whole of any expenditure made by them in meeting that obligation. That would be the position if the indemnity had been secured from a third party and remained the

a third party and remained the position, albeit that the indemnity

was given by a partner and be-came binding upon and was honoured by the personal repre-sentatives of a deceased partner.

Mr Aaronson submitted that for taxation purposes the partner-ship was an entity. Therefore,

ship was an entity. Therefore, the fact that, as between the partners, the respective income and capital envilonments and

secure that the burden of the payment of £14,000 fell wholly on Mr Louis Halpern could not alter

#### Partnership's recouped expenditure deductible

Bolton (Inspector of Taxes) v parmers, as parmers, Halpern and Woolf

Before Lord Justice Ormrod. Lord Justice Eveleigh and Lord Justice [Judgment delivered October 29] Where a payment by a partner-ship is a proper disbursement wholly and exclusively laid out for the purposes of the partnership trade, that payment is a deductible expense for income tax purposes, albeit that the burden of the payment falls to be borne by a partner or former partner pursuant w a partuership agreement.

The Court of Appeal allowed an STC 761), reversing the general commissioners who allowed 514,000 to be deducted in arriving at the profits of the partnership asses-

to be deducted in arriving at the profits of the partnership assessable to income tax for the year 1970-71.

Mr Graham Aaronson for the taxpaver firm: Mr C. H. McCall for the Revenue.

LORD JUSTICE TEMPLEMAN, reading the reserved judgment of the court, said that the appeal allustrated the difficulties of taxing partnerships which had some of the characteristics of a limited company and of individual taxpavers.

An indemnity by a third partyn would be a corresponding asset, e

reading the reserved judgment of the court, said that the appeal allustrated the difficulties of axing partnerships, which had some of the characteristics of a limited company and of individual taxing the characteristics of a limited company and of individual taxing the partners, executed in his own name a guarantee of the partners, executed in his own name a guarantee of the partners, executed in his own name a guarantee of the partners in 1964 Mr Louis Halpern, one of the partners, executed in his own name a guarantee of the guarantee is oners found that the partners in 1965 "agreed that should any loss arise out of the guarantee it would be borne by Mr Louis Halpern and Mr Russell.

In February, 1969, the bank demanded payment on the guarantee, the £14,000 was paid by the partnership were driven by hoth counsel to accept that in some mysterious way the bank could have sued the partnership, it. Mr David Halpern and Mr Russell and each of them in 1969 for £14,000; the payment of £14,000 was a liability of the borne by Mr Louis Halpern and Mr

Social security not a factor

Regina v Serry

The fact that a defendant has been living on social security is not a factor which the courts should take into account in deciding whether to make urders recommending deportation, the Court of Appeal said. Their Lordships allowed an appeal by Mahmoud Ali Serry against an order recommending his deportation made after his conviction at Swansea Crown Court Judge ap Roberth of shoplifting. There was no appeal against a fine of £50.

MR JUSTICE LLOYD, who was sitting with Lord Justice Ormrod

MR JUSTICE LLOVD, who vas sitting with Lord Justice Ormrod and Mr Justice Bingham, said that in R v Nazari (The Times, March 18, 1980) Lord Justice Lawton, giving guidelines to courts considering recommending deportation, said that "a minor offence should not justify a recommendation, for example shoplifting . . . all the circumstances should be looked at . . ".

then, was it made?
Lord Justice Lawton had alsaid that, as was said in R v Cai
1 (1970) 54 Cr App R 499, 5100 1 court must consider "whether recommendation was justified. W. the potential detriment to the country of the continued present reserved of an offender. The judgment to have fastened on this word "detriment", and he also treated as a detriment the fact to 19th the appellant had been here as a fact to the time on social series. part of the time on social secure cam-That was not the sort of deman-which Lord Justice Lawton had notice mind, if indeed it was a detrime origin

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Basketball EUROPEAN CUP: Man: Real Madrid 122, FC Porto 79

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PENINA. Portugal State Express National Profunation Challenge Salmate Interference and the control of Football

Wincanton results 1.0 (1.2) NAILSWORTH CHASE (£1,503; 2m 3()

151.503; 2m 5f)
TOWER BRIDGE, b g, Metropolis—
Ocean Tide M, Small: 11.19
Lavengro J, Francome 14-1 II (21: 2
Varies

ALSO RAN 4-1 is fav lucky Cali (4th. 11-2- Grand Hussar (f. 7-1
Flagslift, 16-1 Echo Summit. 20-1
Royal Potton 35-1 Brisket (ff. Holemar Boy, Isoth, Larkrose (p. Woodville, Never Tamper, One Tree Hul (n), Re Echo, Rnyal Archer (n). Sterling Money, Straight Cash. 19 ran, NR: Soy Saucy.

TOTE: win. 65p; diaces, 18p 24-76, G, Small at Somerton, 21-3, 81.

1.50. (1.36) SHERBORNE HURDLE (Handicap: \$1.519: 2m) FENNY BOV. b g. by Dedmi-Petite Charlotte (1.519: 2.00) FOR the charles (

Batter, 50. P. Schanner, 1.7.

Batter, 828 Rayles, (4-1 it fav) 2

Verwiller Prince F. Grimes (13-2) 3

ALSO RAV: 4-1; for Toulouse, 8-1

Svallow Mill (4th, 10-1 Gallooping
Batter, 12-1 Successor, 24-1 Space
Ship, 25-1 North Two Singing Saint,
Sicrottes Knave, 3-1 Forest Lodge,
Lough Street, 50-1 Allrey, Gross.

Tennis **Rifle Shooting** 

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2.30 (2.31) TERRY BIDDLECOMBE CHASE (\$2.157, 2m 5f)

CHASE 12:137. 2m 51)
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Bound—Six of Diamonds 1S.
Loughbridge, c.11-8
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Levaramoss Stove Knigh: 1100-1 3

ALSO RAN 7-1 Master Smudge (11h), 10-1 Gandy VI (1), 12-1 Narribini, 6 ran.

Badminton

Cricket ADELAIDE: Sheffield Sheld Now South Wales 273-4 (I. Davis 64 J. Dyson 62. P. Tochey 50); v South Australia.

near Carlisie.

Then the 17-handicap amateur capped a magnificent display b winning the extra hole with a par four, and his opponents stumbled badly.

Golf For the record Badminton

YORONTO: Canadian Open' mens singles, second round (Canadian unless stated): M. Frost-Hansen (Den beat C. Holoboff 13-2, 15-3; M. Frogarty (US) beat M. Rutler 15-11, 17-11; Y. Iono Japan, beat P. Johnson 13-11, 15-8; S. Baddelei (GR) beat C. Higgins (US) default, S. Kartscob (Swe: Beat J. Marks 15-10, 15-6; M. Walker (US) beat T. Quinn 13-2, 15-11, 15-10; D. De Belle beat S. Thanasrivanich-Chal, (Thaliand) 17-15, P. Tyron beat P. Rawlek 15-11, 15-10; D. De Belle beat S. Thanasrivanich-Chal, (Thaliand) 17-15, 15-11; A. Striatanakul (Thaliand) beat K. Ohba Japan) 15-1, 15-3; D. Genzalee (Mexico) beat D. Travers (Scot) 15-3, 15-6; H. Hanaskawa (Japan) beat R. Macdougell 16-7, 15-11; S. Fladbery (Den) heat T. Carmichael (US), 15-6; H. Hanaskawa (Japan) beat R. Macdougell 16-7, 15-11; S. Fladbery (Den) heat T. Carmichael (US), 15-6; H. Hanaskawa (Japan) beat R. Macdougell 16-7, 15-11; S. Fladbery (Den) heat T. Carmichael (US), 15-6; H. Hanaskawa (Japan) beat R. Macdougell 16-7, 15-10; R. Stevens (GB) beat J. Caldworthy 15-10, 15-7; Third round: M. Tadokure (Japan) 10-15, 15-11; D. 16-15; S. Karlsson (Swe) beat M. Walker (US) 15-2; S. Raddeley (GB) beat J. Marks (US) 15-2; S. Raddeley (GB) beat J. Marks (US) 15-2; S. Raddeley (GB) beat M. Fogens (US) 15-2; S. Raddeley (GB) beat M. Fogens (US) 15-2; S. Raddeley (GB) beat M. Marks (US) 15-2; S. Raddeley (GB) beat M. Fogens (US) 15-2; S. Raddeley (GB) beat M. Marks (US) 15-2; S. Raddeley (GB) beat M. Fogens (GB) beat M. Marks (US) 15-2; S. Raddeley (GB) beat M. Marks (US) 15-2; S. Raddeley (GB) beat M. Japan (GB) Treasure turns .rtv for in a dream Beryl, 84, performance still sailing John Treasure turned in a great performance to snatch victory for Vicholls the professional David Talbot and the Royal Mid-Sussey Club in the national pro-am golf challenge Ice Hockey NATIONAL LEAGUE: Harvord Whalers 5. Detroit Red Wing 5. Van-couver Canier 8. 5. Ouebec Nordiques 5: Pittsburgh Penguins; 2. Buttain Sabres 1. St. Louis Blues 2. Miniscota Miniscota Chicago Black Harvesta Winnergo Jeis 4 Et Prodon Citers 4. Toronto Maple Leaf 4 Et Prodon Citers 4. Toronto Maple Leaf 4. Capitais 2. Washington Capitais 2. final at Penina, Portugal yesiorday. . Treasure, a 55-year-old profes-sor of economics, who quite big business to become the dean of

at. .".

It was the appellant's first offence of shoplifting, which did not justify making the order. Why,

# Being there already is more than half the election battle questions at issue in y's President Glacard of Estaing seems is much of an advantis much of an advantin the same category, even though the deleated a sliting government is of in the same category, even though the deleated a sliting government is realected so often titutional amendmentis realected so often titutional amendmentmake it impossible for alter Mr. Truman to who had been Prime Minister states Advantage of the country at the interest in office of more interest of office of the long of the country at the most state of in the same category, even though the deleated a sliting government in the size is power for grant delevant of the state of the country at the success of demonstrating in the same category of the street is in other true of inflation. There are two ways of securing in the process

One of the questions at issue in .: next Tuesday's Presidential election is whether it is much of an advantage to be the incumbent. According to conventional wisdom, a sitting President of the United States is always re-elected whenever he offers himself. It was because President Roosevelt was re-elected so often that a constitutional amendment was passed to make it impossible for any President after Mr Truman to serve more than two full terms. But President Ford was defeated in 1976, and if Mr Carter loses now it will be widely believed that the convention is dead.

If Mr Carter does win, however, one of the principal reasons will be that he is the incumbent. In that case it will have been a good year for incumbents. Mr Fraser held on to office in Australia a fortnight ago against the evidence of the polls. So did Herr Schmidt in West Germany earlier this month, though in that case it was not a surprise. I that their gross national product

was turning once again to the leader who had been Prime Minister since

There is not, of course, a new universal law of western politics that the sitting government must always triumoh. Otherwise Mrs Downing Street. But it is notable that so many incumbents should be successful at a time of economic difficulty with a deepening inter-national recession. Both unemployment and inflation have been causing serious anxiety in the United

that when the economic weather is bad most people want to "throw the rascals out". If electorates are now responding to economic misfortune with greater political discrimination this must be democratically healthy. It implies that governments in advanced countries are no longer regarded quite so much like rain makers in primitive societies, their stock rising and falling according to circumstances over which they can have no control.

It might be objected that it would be even worse to offer a licence to incumbents. Does not a vital democracy depend upon the date?—all this will mean is that incumbency still confers a useful advantage. It will help to confirm the other evidence that those, in office can retain a good electorial

going is rough. Equally, it is a fallacy to assume that all main parties must have a turn in office for a country to earn its democratic credentials. It is true that a party is more likely to form a responsible opposition if its leading members have personal experience of the burdens of government but that does not

chance even when the economic

power that corrodes a democracy, not the frequent exchange of power that justifies it. So it follows that the quality of democracy depends as much upon what happens be-tween elections as upon election results themselves. The right to choose every few years which of competing groups is the less dis-

that because direct democracy on trary failing. Parliament as an in policy questions means that deck turion is too weak, here to a mass electorate that curiot incumbent governments are going possibly have mastered the suitch. The other methods of securing desirable that their activates sho

The other methods or securing destrable that their activates sho the responsiveness of government is be subjected to proper structure by representative democracy in Britain this means the further other words, the effective control velopinent of the select control system in the House of Common ment. The need to get the right and a second chamber with the balance between the executive and fidence and credibility to embar. competing groups is the less are agreeable to govern the country for the next term is essential to democracy. But it is not enough, belance between the executive and a second chamber with the democracy. But it is not enough, belance between the executive and independent of the day rar responsive to the people while it democracy. In the United States the House of Lords.

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## Why 'One Nation' is still worth reading

Thirty years ago, the General Election of 1950 did not quite usher in the first post-war Conservative Government, that had to wait another year, but it did inject a legendary set of newcomers into the ranks of Con-servative MPs. This tranche of number of young men in their thirties, who were to play a most significant part in the for-tunes of the Conservative Party for a generation.

like Mr lain Macleud, are dead; Mr C. J. M. Alport and Mr Robert Carr have gone to the House of Lords; Mr Angus Maude is a member of today's Cabinet, while Mr Edward Heath and Mr Enoch Powell continue to be major presences in the Chamber of the House of

others talked in groups. Talk that must have been all the more exciting with the constant chance of attacking a dying Government, with the scent of another General Election and the defeat of the Socialists in the air: it is probably always easier to he a new backbencher opposition. Again, like new MPs before and since, some of them formed a dining club, the better to provide the ambience in which to discuss the new dawn. Such dining clubs are often ephemeral and they are always regarded with some disquiet by the party whips.
Some of the 1950 intake

dined together, later on taking as their formal collective title "One Nation", Disraeli's endur-ing concept. That club had a life of its own, unlike many others, and still meets today; a good number of the present Cabinet and Government were among its members in their preministerial days.

Such gatherings were not just restricted to talk; they wrote, too, and very quickly. Over the summer of 1950 these six young luminaries together with Mr Richard Fort, Mr Gilbert Long-







Thirty years ago saw the arrival of a new intake of Tory MPs whose influence was to be far reaching. Three of them are pictured above: Mr Edward Heath, Mr Angus Maude and Mr Enoch Powell

den and Mr John Rodgers produced what was to be a most influential little book of 95 pages. Its title, chosen a week before going to press, was One Nation: it was popular and quickly reprinted.
Their focus of concern was social policy, and how to estab-

lish a genuinely conservative view of it as the wartime con-sensus on these issues which had produced universal secondary education and eventually our National Health and Social Security Systems came increasingly under scrutiny.
In those austere times they

spelt our a conservative policy towards society in these words: "We have a generations work ahead . . . Socialists pay lip service to the need for priorities; in practice they have lacked both courage to enforce them and the administrative ability to make the Services work. Just as there

be priorities between the Services. We believe that Housing is the first of the Social Services and Education is the tion and the greatly increased expenditure on defence make it more-not less-necessary to scrutinize the Social Services, and to root out inefficiency and waste; more not less necessary to see that every penny is wisely spent, and that those in the greatest need are helped first."

These words have a clear and contemporary ring to them. I do not know exactly who wrote them, for One Nation was wrote them, for One Nation was written collectively. With its 13 short chapters ranging over everything from "Population Policy" to "A Social Policy for the Countryside", the latter irreverently entitled in its first draft "More Morris Dancing and Higher Rents", it was a cooperative work. Yet, it suffers from

usually associated with the genre. This is a tribute to those two MPs who we do know edited it: Mr Iain Macleod was one, the other was Mr Angus Maude. that sharpest editorial drafters and pruners. It even got a sort of party imprimatur, in the shape of a short and characteristic fore-word by Mr R. A. Butler, who wrote "I recommend this book as a healthy piece of construc-tive work!" That it was so well received

That it was so wen some of surprising considering of the joint-authors, some of whom had cut their political teeth in that nursery of Conservative ideas, the Research Department under the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The Times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The Times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The Times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The Times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The Times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The Times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The Times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The Times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The Times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The Times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The Times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The Times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The Times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The Times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The Times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The Times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The Times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The Times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The Times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The Times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The times described it as "important and the chairmanship of R. A. Burler. The ti ant" and a "cogently argued elucidation".

Reading One Nation 30 years after, it seems exceedingly fresh to me. This is not just because of the way in which

its pages to that which was then, and remains today, what one of its joint-editors, Mr Angus Maude, called 30 Octo-bers later at the 1980 Party Conference "Our temporarily divided Society" divided Society".

That preoccupation was no more a "wet preoccupation in 1950 than it is now. At no time in their careers could Mr Maude or Mr Powell or Mr Macleod be described as wet, in either the old fashioned or the new fangled media-spracht sense. Indeed Mr Macleod was, until Mrs Margaret Thatcher became Leader of the Party, perhaps the only Tory since the war who could easily persuade his listeners that our Party was capable of passion, and actually believed in something. A few of the contents of

One Nation seem rather strange or even redundant today. It is pretty un-Tory these days for example, to be concerned openly with population policy—

" a deliberate effort to influence the size and quality of the population —advocated in Chapter Three. The burning need to renew out-dated houses, and to build hundreds of thou-sands of new ones quickly which is advocated in Chapter Four must have been a direct reflection of the current then running through the Party in favour of a housing crusade. Rarely can any policy advocated from the floor of a Conservative Party Conference, as this was by the then Mr Harmar Nicholls at the 1950 Blackpool meeting, have been accepted by the leadership so easily.

That demand, in the tradition of crowds demonstrating for more Dreadnoughts-"We must be priorities within each work. Yet, it, suffers from because of the way in which want eight and we won't wait."

Social Service, so there must remarkably few of the faults it is written. While a few of —was to be speedily realized for the

the problems exercising its authors have been, if not solved, at least ameliorated, most have a familiar ring today.

It is essentially a practical, policy formulating book. Yet it does address itself throughout its pages to that which was For most of the rest of the

chapters however, the contents are all too familiar. On public expenditure: the level of Government expenditure is already too high for normal rimes." (page 91). On taxatimes." (page 91). On taxation: "... the future wellbeing of even the poprest is
already being endangered by
the economic effects of redistribution." (page 8). On
education: "We deplore the present tendency to drag down the brighter children to the level of the dull ones." (page 46). And on health; "How, to reconcile the insistent need for economy with an efficient and progressive 'service? The Socialists have no proposals to offer. At least in the past this is because anything that calls in question the principle of a free comprehensive service is politically dangerous" (page

The questions were asked, the problems dissected, the policies proposed. Thirty years later many of the questions are the same and the problems similar; only the solutions sometimes seem as far away. Are they simply the eternal facts of British political, economical and social life, or a measure of the failure of a generation?

Whatever the answer, the problem of a temporarily divided society remains, and the aim of One Nation is as pressing today as when that brilliant generation talked and wrote 30 years ago.





## What it cos s 300 10 to remember

Next Wednesday, whether The British Protech celebrating the detection of Association, the manifacture of Goy: Fawkes, homeuring the guild, raised the sale late stirrings of some ancient earlier this week incepty pagan festival, for simply proposed private mathers making the party go with a that would limit the see bang, tens of thousands of works to license holders for people across Britain will light only at organized dispute blue touch paper, stand Thousands of operation back, and watch \$14m or there is needed to satis der abouts go to blazes.

Recession or no, the firework manufacturers are already reporting a sell-out to the wholesale and retail trade. They estimate that 100 million firework will go up in smoke. The National Cambig by November 6, with millions: Firework Reform les of people enjoying the perils believe that arguments and pleasures of bonfire night, that the future lies infire Pleasures there certainly are, and the British seem peculiarly

attached to them. For more than a century, from 1585, fire work, manufacture was made illegal in Britain. But the love of the whize, the bang and the coloured: lights meant that illegal manufacture of fireillegal manufacture of fire bowever, that if only a works continued with alarm work code was id ingly explosive results until the injuries need not happe ingly explosive results until the injuries need not nappe, things had so be legalized, is a view firmly backed though strictly controlled. It is Sally Oppenheim. Ministhis fear of illegal manufacture Consumer Affairs, who that is one of the manufacture warning last year that turers commonest arguments legislation would be congagned those who think more if the 1978 tetal of 953 points. can be done to limit the perils of Guy Pawkes night.

Although accidents are down by more than half since 1969the year before the firework code was introduced-injuries reated in hospitals throughout Britain have remained at around 700 since 1975. Of last year's accidents, 310 involved eye injuries, almost 100 led to absence from work or school, and 308 -involved children

under 13. Over the years, the industry has abandoned many of its more dearening and dangerous devices such as thunder flashes. ground torpedoes, jumping crackers, flying saucers and helicopters, but bangers are still the commonest cause of

injury-190 last year. The manufacturers say the banger is now little more than a phut. But any suggestions that the banger in that case might as well go is countered by warnings of illegal manu-facture if they are banned.

glory to the Communist Party

of the Soviet Union," "We shall fulfil the decisions of the

25th party congress "—recently amended to "Let us worthily greet the 26th Party Congress with unstinting work".

be needed to satis der from the estimated 0 mi people who buy firetrks year, the manufactures sp man said, and peoplidep of over the counter set try to make their ow The National Camign night moving out of te garden and into organes plays—a trend alread lished, with £4m of the sales estimated to be p plays rather than backs parties,

The manufacturers was not reduced, now p faith in the firework co

manufacturers' connerati a £25,000 publicity ca: starring Kenny Everent. There is no doubt if code in every firework b posters sent to every sche better, organized displathe disappearance of the

abused fireworks

injuries.

· It is a sobering thoug if Guy Fawkes had been s ful; 500 to 600 MPs and along with the King, have faced death or in 1605. While the compar not fair, with 75 per last year's firework i classified as minor, and one death in the past years, the fact remains t the past five years' experience 700 people, many of their dren, face injury next W

Nicholas Tim-

# The secrets of Palmyra, past and present

North of Damascus the road to Palmyra passes through a flat landscape of dusty rock-strewn scrubland, relieved only by the t occasional herd of Bedouin-bdriven camels against the background of smoke belching from the long thin chimneys of a distant cement factory.

Palmyra itself is a welcome Noasis in this barren setting, dimiraculously rising from the clump of ancient date palms Cwhich give the town its name. reBut Palmyra is not as peaceful mor idyllic as it looks. This summer it joined Aleppo and Latakia in the catalogue of political violence in Syria after whas long been used to house sibolitical prisoners. It now holds members of the

Oputlawed Muslim Brotherhood, insud when they tried to break

say 400 died. Others say the figure is inflated, others still that it is an under-estimate. The Government says it never happened, or that if it did only a handful perished. In a way Palmyra is a fitting

setting for legend and rumour. On the edge of the town stand the magnificent Roman ruins for which Palmyra is justly famous. Seen in the twilight, with the dust rising in a haze against the setting sun and stray does prowling among the fallen pillars, the great arches and temples look insubstantial, ghostly. They are all that is left of the city the Romans built when they conquered Syria in 64 BC.

The Romans have been overshadowed in folk memory by an Arab woman: Zenobia, Queen but in June, reports say, the re- of the East, who rose against

prisals which followed were the occupiers and got as far savage.

as Egypt and Asia Minor with her troops before being driven back to Palmyra. She was captured by the Emperor Aurelian in 272 AD and taken to Rome, where she ended her days in the Tivoli Palace.

Her name is commemorated by Palmyra's main hotel. It stands, a one-storey building looking rather like a misplaced Spanish ranch house, right among the ruins themselves. Here too an air of mystery bangs about the cool, stoneflagged rooms,

The Hotel Zenobia, in fact, has a history of which the Arab queen would have been proud. Its first owner was another remarkable woman, the Comtesse de Dondourain, from Lyons. In Cairo, where she began her Middle East career, the Comresse was secretary to T. E.

indispensable-not to say rich- for Nazi officers whose innerby working as a double spy for the British authorities and the Arab nationalists. She bought the

Zenobia, built by the French in

1918, and went on to make a fortune spying both for the French mandate and for the nationalist revolutionaries, who held whar they imagined to be secret meetings in the hotel It would be pleasant to relate that the Comtesse lived on in Palmyra till a ripe old age and that it is her spirit which lingers in the Hotel Zenobia. In fact she left Syria when the Spanish Civil War broke out and bought a villa on the French-Spanish border, entertaining officers from both the Franco and Republican forces. When the Germans entered

Paris the Comtesse was there,

and her house became a club

most secrets she passed—for a consideration—to French. The end was sordid rather than colourful: she was killed during a quarrel with a ship's captain on a boat moored at Tangier and was dumped overboard into the harbour, from which her body was fished out by puzzled Moroccan

The Hotel Zenobia was bought after the war by a local Arab businessman whose son, Mr Khaled Assaad, is now Director of Antiquities in Palmyra.

Mr Assaad recalls that in the 1920s, when the Comtesse was living in the hotel, most of the inhabitants of Palmyra lived in huts inside the Temple of Bel, among the ruins. Now town boasts 25,000 souls. the distance, beyond the

hotel is going up designed and built—like the Zenobia—by a Mr Assaad thinks it is an

evesore and tried, unsuccess fully, to get it stopped.

Down in the brightly lit souk mes sit in shop doorways, pulling on their water pipes. Two military policemen, in their distinctive red and khaki uniforms, keep a watchful eye on the scene from a parked jeep, a reminder of more recent events in Palmyra.

Perhaps the Director of Antiquities can tell me whether or or there was a massacre in died? He shakes his bead. "The jail is a military installarion", he says. "Who knows what goes on inside?"

6Somehow I don't see any-

Richard Owen

## MOSCOW DIARY

#### K"Art Nouveau?" I asked. P. "Audemars Piguet," she returned, smiling.

Graceful arabesques of gold embraced the flaw-

She took the watch from my hand and put it on, charche finely decorated bracelet encircling to se folloher slender wrist as lightly as a silk

ought Auguston.

y th Surrabbon.

nent Leag There was, perhaps, an echo of. s from Bache romantic movement in its design. Jut its slim shape was strictly 1980's. In all, another timeless classic y Audemars Piguet.

d mar n Ste "And you wear it," I teased, con ind merely to tell the time?

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She arched her eyebrows. 'spoile rights' She arched her eyebrows.

'bo the lapan 'Just as you use the Lalique barty rost ise,' she countered, "merely to hold Party rost se, she
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# Audemars Piguet

exicodemars Piguet, 72 Saffron Hill, London ECIN 8RS.

Tourists to the Soviet Union tend to have an enjoyable time but go home with an indefinable sense of dissatisfaction. They somehow they have been tee: somenow they have been only the surface of things. Were they misinformed or simply naive? Were all the things they read back home exaggerations, coldwar myths? Or was the guide a little too smooth-talking, too pat with her appress? with her answers?

There is no helpful teply. the Soviet Union for almost a generation never really understand this country. It is aptly symbolized by those painted wooden dolls you find in any souvenir shop; you open one and there is another inside. Inside that there is a smaller one, and then another and another. know how Russians think and react, that is the time to eware, for you can be mightily

So tourist impressions are not altogether false. What you find impressive may not be what you expect, but it is not necessarily just a charade set up by Intourist to empty your pockets impossible to follow every of hard currency while filling you with friendly sentiments. Still, there are certain things that immediately strike visitors, have just received a letter from an observant tourist who came here with his family in

They noticed "the crabness of the apartment blocks, the Those who seem likely to cause streets and even the people (all trouble will be kept under disstreets and even the people (all trouble will be will

sumer insensitivity everywhere; a colossal difference between the principal cities and the villages, where mud, wells and shacks appear to be the dominant features; the assumption by the party of complete wisdom without ever needing to listen or to learn—eg the images of Lenin are always of him tell-

ing, decreeing or instruction, never listening." But on the other hand they found public transport remark-ably cheap and frequent, the public places refreshingly free of graffiti, vandalism, litter and —the circus, folk concerts and the ballet-was excellent "The only really phoney thing

we found was the factory visit, which was one big lie' As with most tourists, they spent some time wondering whether they were followed. It is a natural worry—the image of the Soviet Union as a country

of street-corner informers, KGB agents and suspicious officials is deeply ingrained in the West, and with good reason. But as the Russians them-selves candidly point out, it is tourist. It is also unnecessary.

There is little a first-time visitor speaking no Russian could do on jeans. The parandia and xenophobia that characterized jeans. Stalin's rule have given way to more sophistication and maturity even within the KGB.

intention of contacting dissi-cents is known to the authorities before he sets foot in the Almost every tour st itinerary

includes a war museum. The ever present memories of the Second World War—the great Second World War—the great patriotic war as it is known here—are inescapable. The bloodiest conflict the Russian people have ever known, costing 20 million lives, is burned into the memories of every Russian village. And until only a few years ago the radio ran contact programmes for people looking for long lost relatives.

War films are on television

every week, and the sufferings and heroism are commemorated in enormous and impressive monuments, such as the tower-ing figure of mother Russia at Volgograd, formerly Stalingrad, or the roined fortress at Brest that held out for a month when Germans were aiready well on the way to Moscow. Villages, burnt down with their inhabitants, have been symbolically recreated as memorials. The eternal flame burns in every town, sometimes guarded by children in their pioneer uniforms, and it has

graphs taken. Of course, genuine emotions, faithfully passed on to the younger generation, have been exploited so that patriotism can identified with the party the regime. And Russians

become customary for newly-weds to lay their wedding

flowers there and have photo-



But tourists will find that every dinner has a roast to peace, every speaker, genuinely, hopes for "and end to war". Tourists notice things Russians have long ceased to see -slogaus especially. Visitors find welcome relief from advertisement hoardings (though these are now beginning advertising Soviet and Bast European goods) and commercial

Slogans have become so ritualistic as have the November and May Day Parades in Red Square, that Russians pay little attention and are almost embarrassed if you quiz them about the significance. It is the same story in museums and monuments that fill the tourist timetable. These are always thronged with people of all ages admiring their heritage. But it is the prerevolutionary art that enthralls: the galleries devoted to socialist realism or the shrines to worthy revolutionaries are almost deserted. The appetite for propaganda has sickened

and died. Only tourists now buy folders of old propaganda posters to stick up on their walis back home. Perhaps the biggest surprise is how large, varied, and undisciplined the country seems to be. The map indicates its size, but it is still surprising to find you can fly east from Mos-cow for 10 hours on a four-engined jet, arrive eight time zones ahead, and still be in the same country.

And one unfortunate effect

of the West referring always to Russia" rather than the Soviet Union is that people for

and white banners proclaiming with their own languages tures, traditions, religio outlooks are by no men same as the Russians, it is 15 different countritogether,

The outward trappi' Tallinn and Bukhara i whose arms constantly the wires, the police ut the statues to Lenin E obligatory puppet theatrthese two towns are as d as Edinburgh and Tunis far part.

And while the West:

image of people regi organized, cowed and w ful, tourists complain in. the chaos, lackadaisica drunkenness and gene regard of a thousand ri regulations. This may by rhings into a tight ti-But it is fruitless to ge, far better to laugh an some of the local fatali Tourists go home wit tales of restaurent praise for guides and their im English and an intenset in a way of life that at westerners unfathomalmost important observ that the Russians a. human: Newspapers you for the monolithic the ideological confr the "Saviet threat". have a chance to see -if only superficial

Michael

and cultured people.

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From Professor Sir Bryan Hopkin and Professor Wynne Godley

ever deepening recession the Gov-ernment is proposing to make further large cuts in public expen-

diture. Such cuts are not merely unnecessary; they will make the

present very serious prospect even worse. The three arguments by

which the Government may be more

1 More fiscal deflation (it may

be said) is necessary so that interest rates can be lowered, to the benefit

of industry which has so far had to shoulder the main burden of the

fight against inflation. But in reality British industry will not obtain a net benefit from further cuts in

public spending. Such cuts will further reduce demand and output

and if they enable monetary targets to be met this will largely be

because industry, in extreme depres-

sion, will not wish or need to horrow

so much from the banks even at

lower rates of interest. There are no grounds for supposing that cuts in public expenditure will bring the

exchange rate down, indeed it seems

more likely that such action vall

cause the exchange rate to appre-

2 Cuts must be made because of

prospective rise in public borrow-

ing which is inconsistent with the published medium term financial

plan. But the rise in public borrow-ing is a direct consequence of the

recession which is reducing tax and

other receipts and increasing spend-

benefit. A determination to reduce

the budger deficit defined as the

crude difference herween public

spending and receipts is therefore

nerverse, and will reinforce the

vated all seem to us wrong.

Sir, As the economy moves

Effects of public spending cuts

#### MEDITERRANEAN ROYAL TOUR It may be imagined without distributed formal courtesies between heads the Western Sahara means that loyalty that the royal signs of of state. Nevertheless, the event is and Algeria evice in and Algeria evice in a contract of the courtesies and Algeria evice in a contract of the courtesies are a contracted as a contract of the courtesies are a contracted as a contract of the courtesies are a contracted as a contract of the courtesies are a contracted as a contract of the courtesies are a contracted as a contract of the courtesies are a contracted as a contracted as a contract of the courtesies are a contracted as a contract of the courtesies are a contracted as a contracted as

relief on getting home yesterday from the latest round of state visits were even more heartfelt than they must usually be at such moments. For once, not even the contrast between Mediterranean sunshine and English weather can have dampened the pleasure of homecoming, on such a rare autumn day. The tour has been a successful one, but it has not been smooth. It is not necessary to overrate the share played in this by the unpredictable impulses of King Hassan's hospitality. The first state visit paid by a British Sovereign to the Holy See, the state visit to Italy. while it was without a government, the visit to Sicily, where local citizens chosen to meet the royal party had recently been murdered, and the state visit to Algeria less than a wonth after the violent earthquake intere, would by themselves, have posed exceptional problems of diplomacy, tact and

The visit to the Vatican was not the Queen's first She was received by Pius XII while on holiday in Italy in 1951, before her accession, and she made an official visit to John XXIII in 1961. The age-old hostility arising from the breach made in 1534 abated long ago, and such residual suspicions as remain are not of a kind that can be

touches deep sentiments about faith and national identity. Though formally an encounter between mutually acknowledged equals in the temporal sphere, the meeting must also be seen in the context of the spirit of reconciliation which now pre-vails in the Christian churches.

Most royal visits within western Europe and the Commonwealth have gained the character by now of courtesy cails to keep established relationships in repair. Even if the territory visited is new, the interest and good will already exist. The visits which venture on to unfamiliar ground, like those in recent years to Yugoslavia. South America and Arabia, may not be more significant in the long run, but they are apt to be more unpredictable, and tend to carry a greater weight of influence on the immediate relations between the nations concerned.

The countries of the Maghreb were in some ways even more of an untried venture than Saudi Arabia, where diplomatic and trading links with Britain are well-established and relatively stable. The implications of the visits to the former French clients Algeria, Tunisia and Morocco (Libya being a significant omission) were more complex. Morocco's costly and opportunistic attempt to annex

holy Muslim places of Mecca

and Medina were "under

American occupation "-a refer-

ence to recent American aid-

and called for a holy war to liberate them. King Khalid res-

undeclared war: the Queen's flight between the two capitals, where no scheduled flights run. was an event of some symbolic importance between those nations themselves, Britain quite apart. It must be hoped that the visit may have effects of reconciliation to excuse the things she had to say to King Hassan about his deserving "the sympathy and support of us all" in his formidable difficulties". No Sovereign is on oath while making speeches on a state visit.

Reports of disorganized arrangements in Morocco suggest that there was more than a little royal tact behind statements that the Queen was "perfectly content with her reception. The Palace must in any case have been prepared for the possibility the schedule might run less smoothly in Morocco than it usually does elsewhere. Tact and patience ensured that the tour was successfully accomplished. The value of such visits is never to be counted only in diplomatic and trading contexts: the wider goodwill that they can create is at least as important. Once again, the Queen's popular reception on this tour, not only in Italy-that might have been expected—but also in countries whose ties with Britain are tenuous, shows the remarkable appeal that she possesses, through her personality as much as through her

Arab heads of state are not on

speaking terms. Jordan's attempt

to bring together an Arab sum-

mit on November 25 is still far

from success. A preparatory

meeting in Amman has just

broken up after less than twenty-

four hours. The fact that the

war was kept off the agenda at

Syria's insistance was said to

have hastened agreement, but the

idea of a summit without discus-

sion of the war seems somewhat

pointless. On the other hand

to come together to discuss it.

from this disarray. Perhaps it

will gain the Americans better

access to the Gulf. Perhaps Saudi

Arabia will now become more

inclined to grant the Americans

a military presence of some kind.

But the Soviet Union has also

strengthened its position by sign-

ing a treaty of friendship with

Syria, which gives it, among

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The West can take no comfort

forces of depression which are al-ready very strone; it is to remove the economy's surromatic the economy's stabilizers". 3 With output so low we cannot

arrord present levels or pushed expenditure. But, the fact that public spending is rising as a proportion of GNP is not evidence that we cannot "afford" it; the GNP is only low because of the policy-induced recession. W. A. B. HOPKIN, Professor of

afford present levels of public

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Economics, University College, Cardiff, WYNNE GODLEY, Professor of Applied Economics, University of Cambridge. October 28.

From Mr A. Latham-Koenig Sir. While in agreement with the general tenor of your leader on the exchange rate (October 25). I dispute your statement that, the direct cause of the high sterling exchange rate is the level of interest rates that has been deliberately engineered by the Government in order to validate its monetary policy".

While high interest rates are undoubtedly an important marginal influence, the fundamental factors pushing up the sterling exchange rate are Britain's possession of North Sea oil in a period of rising oil prices—which makes sterling a petrocurrency—and a strong current account position enhanced by favourable capital movements. Thus, in 1979 and in the first quarter of 1980, about 30 per cent Opec's surplus funds were deployed in the United Kingdom. more than double the percentage that went to the United States.
As long as overseas confidence in

the Government's ability to pursue its present economic policy prevails and oil prices keep rising it would take a sharp recovery in the dollar to depress significantly the present high value of the pound. Yours truly.

BRUCE KENT, General Secretary, Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament, 29 Great James Street, WC1.

From the Reverend Nicholas

Sir, Your leader on the CND march

(October 28) does not mention the

important reason why some of us

A new ground of support for

even unilateral disarmament comes

from those who make a connection

herween disarmament and develop-

attitude to it the Brandt report has succeeded in spotlighting the scandal of the world's \$450bn

annual military budget, It shows " a

moral link between the vast spend-

ing on arms and the disgracefully

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their being annihilated one day in the future by nuclear war and someone else being annihilated

already by happening to be born in the wrong hit of the world.

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of the indifference of others."

spending on measures to remove hunger and ill-health in the Third World". "Morally it makes

Despite the Government's ostrich

A. L. KOENIG. 11 Bigwood Road, NW11.

Yours faithfully,

October 30.

were there.

"Mankind is confronted with a

CND marches back

From the General Secretary of the Compaign for Nuclear Disarmament Sir, Your editorial "CND marches back." (October 28), welcome acknowledgment of public concern as it is, nevertheless implies once more a contrast between unilateral disarmament activity and multilateral negotiation. The division is a talse and dangerous one. Both multilateral negotiations and unilateral action, the latter varying according to the military circumstances of each country, are recognised in the Final Document of the United Nations Special Session on Disarmament of 1978 and

both are clearly complementary. It would be a tragedy if the disarmament movements, and CND is only one of them, allowed themselves to be deflected from their purposes by either the ratification of SALT 2 or by a theatre nuclear weapon agreement though such possibilities, welcome in themselves, must appear remote at the moment. notice that we probably the most likely first victims of a nuclear war. are actually party to neither set of negotiations.

The target is not arms control, but genuine world disarmament. Yet instead we hear from our Goverument silly phrases about negotiating from strength which are both meaningless in a world of massive superpower overkill and a perfect formula for an arms ruce

without rational end. The demonstration on October 26, so enthusiastically supported and part of the week of action called for by the United Nations, shows

at least that many ordinary people

in this country, if not their leaders, understand the 1978 UN warning,

Yours faithfully, NICHOLAS BRADBURY, Holy Trinity Vicarage, Philip Lane, High Cross, N15. October 28.

£53.30 have been paid throughout this matter, which commenced in May of last year and has concluded

this month. The total costs re-covered from the defendant

I now have the unenviable task of

explaining to my client why I have done work on his behalf for which,

upon any realistic basis, I must make a charge of at least £280

(including disbursements and VAT).

As you will see, the net result is that the client would have been

marginally better off to have abundoned his claim in the first

instance.
It should be emphasized that

these costs have been incurred in the main not in pursuing the client's legal remedy but in seeking

covered from the amounted to £102.23.

#### Costs of litigation

From Mr A. R. Hodder Sir, I have just completed on behalf of a client a very simple County Court action the financial outcome

The action concerned a claim for possession of a small flat in the London area by reason of the tenant's failure to pay arrears of rent amounting to £173. Five days before the date fixed for the hear-ing of the action the defendant paid all these arrears but paid nothing in respect of costs. At the hearing, although the judge made an order for costs against the defendant, he declined to impose any sanction in respect of the non-payment o those costs in accordance with his

to enforce the court's order.

This case illustrates so clearly the current state of enforcement of judgments in the county courts which, in my opinion, has reached the stage at which very grave injus-tice is being suffered by unblameworthy claimants. Yours truly.

A. R. HODDER. Hodders, 11 Station Road. Harlesden, NW10. October 23.

#### Quiet. please

ago, there used to be spread outside a house where people were sick or dying, a thick layer of straw. This served two purposes: firstly, it dulled the sound of carriage wheels and horses' houves on the cobbled streets, and secondly it reminded passers by of a need to be quiet as they treet passer.

ley went past. Having just spent a week in an exceedingly poisy London hospital, I um aware that traffic noises are now impossible to check, but how about some kind of mule appeal, as was the Victorian straw, to the better nature of the custal pedestriun? Every evening, outside hospital windows, someone revs a inotor-bike, or emerges, a cheery late boozer, from a near-by pub, or

steps.
Why couldn't hospitals paint the kerb outside their premises in some

influence some of those naisy night revellers who, not malevolent but unthinking, would be appalled if they knew how much discomfort and ill-feeling they were arousing in the patients they were keeping awake?

CATHERINE NUNNELEY, 8 Priory Walk SW10.

#### Job training schemes

Sir, "180,000 youngsters to get job training" (The Times, October 27). Training for what jobs? Many of those who are being made redundant now are unskilled or untrained. What jobs are the newly trained young to take ?

With current policies, training will only produce trained unemployed voungsters instead of untrained ones. With these policies it would be more honest if the training were for unemployment

What is needed more than train-ing is jubs—180,000 jobs. Yours faithfully, PETER ELFER 23 Hastings Road,

#### Amending Canada's constitution over 50 sympathetic British MPs

From Mr Jonathan Aitken, MP for Thanet East (Conservative) Sir, As a British Member of Parliament of Canadian descent, I have heen following the controversy over the proposed amending of the Constitution of Canada with nounting incredulity.

The present scenario suggests that within the next three months the Westminster Parliament will be asked by the Federal Government of Canada to enact what is in effect the framework for a new Canadian Constitution.

British MPs will rub their eyes

with astonishment when they read the 59 clauses of the proposed Constitutional Bill which Mr Trudeau intends to lay before Westminster. This goes far beyond a mere "patriation" of the British North America Act 1867. It is substantive new legislation not only redefining the potential relation-ships between federal and provinshins between federal and provincial governments in a manner mimical to most of the latter, but also creating a new Bill of Rights for Canada. Some of the 30 clauses in this part of the legislation impinge on highly sensitive areas, such as minority language rights, where there is strong disagreement particularly in Quebec. To complicate matters further, the Federal Opposition has argued that by bringing down the closure after only 25 hours of debate, the Government has denied even the Ottawa Parliament the right to give adequate scrutiny to these crucial reforms.

Having created this minetiald of foreign constitutional controversy, Prime Minister Trudeau now wants British MPs to walk silently into the division lobbies in support of it. Some provincial leaders, on the other hand, hope that the Westminster Parliament will don the mantle of a reactivated colonial umpire and adjudicate on every difficult point. Already intense lobbying is going on behind the scenes to achieve just this result. One Agent General representing a Canadian province in London told choice: we must halt the arms race and proceed to disarmament or face me yesterday that he had recruited

to his cause.

Those of us who visited Canada on a Commonwealth parliamentary delegation last summer know that there are many other interested parties, from Indian chiefs to pro-vincial premiers, who have plans to come to Westminster to put their case. All this activity envisages the prospect of interminable late nights in the House of Commons next see sion, with devolution-style debates on a sovereign state's consultational arrangements. Under normal conditions such a spectacle would surely look humiliating for Canada and unseemly for British MPs. Yet however extraordinary it sounds, it i

as well to recognize at this

stage that Mr Trudeau's unilateral decision to export Canada's consti-tutional crisis to Westminster 15 likely to create this impossible sinuation. Is there a way out? Much the best solution is of course for the federal and provincial governments of Canada to go back to the drawing board and produce an agreed amending formula to accompany the patriation of the British North America Act, Under such conditions, Canada's legislative requests would surely be granted "on the nod" by the United Kingdom Parliament. But if such agreement is really impossible, then by far the most attractive option is the one sugrested by Professors Bernier and Tremblay in their letter to you (October 29). Westminster should refrain from taking sides in the Canadian constitutional quarrel by refusing to act upon the Federa Government's present legislative proposals. That way, we unhold our

residual dury to remain impartial

fiasco on the floor of the House of Commons: and we politely

remind the Canadian Government

that as a sovereign state. Canada has all the necessary powers for

we avoid an Alice-in-Canadaland

constitution making at home. JONATHAN AITKEN. House of Commons, SW1.

#### The case of Lady Barnett From Professor Robert Bluglass

Sir, Your correspondent Mr J. J. Smyth, QC (October 27), has "added a note of realism" to the comments which have been made following the sad case of Lady Barnett May I add some further observations as a psychiatrist who has a special interest in such problems?

Although some stores have a policy of referring all suspected shoplifters to the police many others deal with the elderly, some children, and the obviously mentally ill with remarkable sympathy. In a study of 392 apprehended shoplifters by my colleague, the late Mrs Norah Wilkins, only 45.6 per cent were charged with an offence.

In addition, police frequently use their discretion in deciding whether or not to pursue a complaint only a minority of those convicted (some five or six per cent) have significant psychiatric disorder sufficient either to affect their criminal responsibility or lead to

treatment or a supervision order by

Courts are, generally, ready to listen to reasonable explanations and act upon medical advice. However, many ordinary shoplifters

are unrepresented, are often advised by well-meaning friends, police o probation officers to plead guilty and "get it over with", preventing the true background to be revealed. When serious psychiatric problems are concealed there are occasionally serious consequences in terms of the individual's subsequent behaviour (such as worsening depression or suicide). Others are advised by solicitors to opt for tria in a higher court despite the trivia

amounts involved because it is helieved that a jury is more likely to be understanding (and this sometimes seems to he true). Yours sincerely. ROBERT BLUGLASS.

Psychiatry, All Saints Hospital, Lodge Road, Birmingham.

#### Zimbabwe exodus From Mr A. Cluji

Sir, As has been the case with many similar articles about Zim-babwe since independence, Nicholas Ashford's (October 28) has the innuendo that white emigration spells catastrophe for Mr Mugabe's Government, I contend that this is misleading and that the truth is rather that the nature of the emigrants (principally young married couples) is such as to be helpful to Mr Mugabe in his unxiety to reflect the aspirations of his black university graduates and otherwise skilled youngsters, and that accordingly a reasonable pace of emigration from the white professional classes is positively encouraging for Zimbabwe's furne.

I recollect that some two months ago a popular newspaper recorded on its from page the "alaraning" incidence of white emigration while the same day, concealed in the financial columns, was notice that the first rights issue in Zimbabwe since independence had been oversubscribed. That is the significant news. That and the fact that 95 per cent of Mr Mugabe's population, be they Matabele or Mashona or Old Etonian farmers, are profoundly fed up with insurrection and dis-turbance and want to get back to

Yours faithfully, ALGY CLUFF. 90 Eaton Square, SW1. October 28.

#### Easing the way to death

From Dr Richard Lamerton Sir. Once again one is obliged to turn aside from caring for patients to take time to defend their lives from the plans of the euthanasia lobby.

If someone is begging for euthanasia, it is a cry for help. It is a daily experience in our hospice work to see patients who are miserable and begging to die. But our response is not to kill them. We ask why they want euthanasia, and tackle the causes.

For two television programmes on the subject, we had no difficulty finding groups of dying patients who testified that once they received proper care, they no longer wanted euthanasia.

What is this proper care? It means returning companionship or loneliness, relieving pain and other distressing symptoms, listening to the depressed and sharing their

burden. It is possible so to care for people the are dying, disabled or elderly, that they are no longer driven to ask for euthanasis. A person is not making a free and rational decision if he is constrained by torment, is

Yours sincerely. RICHARD LAMERTON. St Joseph's Hospice, Mare Street, Hackney, E8. October 28.

#### Stuart graves in Europe

From Mr T. M. H. Scott Sir. The generosity of H M the Queen Mother towards the Stuart graves in St Peter's, referred to rather coyly by Mr Ian Munro (October 25r, maintained an even

more continuous tradition than he described. George IV in 1824 had a month ment erected to the memory of James II in the Parish church of St Germain en Lave, near Paris, where he died. Queen Victoria subsequently paid for the decoration of the adjacent chapel.

T. M. H. SCOTT The Cottage, 236 Banstead Road, Banstead, Surrey.

#### Martyrs in Africa

From Bishop Norman Sargant Sir. The story of the martyrdom of Bishop Hannington in your religious article (October 25) has a happy sequel. When at length Mwanga fell into the hands of the British, he was transported to Seychelles. Before he died in 1903 he had been Before he died in 1903 he had been baptized and was truly penitent. A story is told of how Henry Wright Duta, the leading Buganda ctergyman, preaching in the cathedral after the news of Mwanga's death had reached him, pictured in his sermon Mwanga's arrival in heaven and Bishop Hannington meeting him with the usual salutation of the country, "How do you do, my friend?"

It would not be inappropriate if.

It would not be inappropriate if in the course of years, the com-memoration of Bishop Hannington in the Anglican calendar is replaced: or supplemented by that of Arch-blshop Luwum who, it is believed, died at the hand of 1di Amin. One would like to be able to pray that this also may have such a happy. sequel. Yours sincerely.

INORMAN SARGANT, Honorary Archivist, Bristol Cathedral, College Green, October 26.

#### Heart-warming

From Licutenant-Colonel J. F. II. Sir. We remember that your correspondent in the Crimean Peninsulawas kind enough to supply almembers of our Regiment (the 39th of Foot) with winter underwear at a time of crisis during that cambaien.

It has been brought to our notice that it is now you that faces crisis and are concerned that winter might catch you unprotected. Please inform us if we can be of assistance Yours faithfully. J. F. W. WILSEY,

Commanding 1st Bn The Devonshire and Dorset Regiment (Her Majesty' 11th, 39th and 54th of Foot), Roman Barracks Coichester, Essex.



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# dissipated by the exchange of

# CONFUSION IN THE ARAB RANKS

Disputes among Arab states are: Colonel Gaddafi said that the not likely to be achieved while nothing new. Even their common view of Israel never prevented quarrels. Now the war between Iran and Iraq has put greater strains than ever on what is left of Arab brotherhood. Iraqis believe their cause is an Arab cause and that other Arab nations should back them. Jordan and some others agree but most Arabs are ambivalent and some openly bostile to Iraq. Syria is particularly hostile. Old rivalries between factions of the Baath parry have now been exacerbated by the war. President Assad of Syria professes to find President Saddam Husain's ambition to lead the Arab world alternately amusing and dangerous. The two leaders are not on speaking terms, and

described in Damascus as a fascist ". ontiict of lovaities between the trab cause and pan-Islamic ationalism. Colonel Gaddafi of ibva brought this into the open

ponded by accusing Colonel Gaddati of being a "speachead against Islam together with To complicate matters further, there are increasing differences within Islam itself between the Shia and Sunni branches. One of Iraq's motives for going to war with Iran was a fear that the Iranian revolution might inspire Iraq's own Shia Muslims, who form more than half the popu-

throwing off their traditional President Husain is officially role as underdog. The fear was particularly strong around the Gulf, where Shia Muslims make Behind the war of words is a up two-thirds of the population.

lation, to try to reverse the

humiliation of centuries by

Responsible Arab leaders. including King Husain of Jordan, other thengs, naval facilities at the Syring port of Latakia. The danger than problems themselves the superpowers being the confrontation in ith his attack on King Khalid regional problems themselves f Saudi Arabia, who has since and keep the superpowers out. a fir roken off diplomatic relations. This is a worthy aim, but it is there

#### NO REPRIEVE FOR BADGERS

bjections to the gassing of adgers as a means of preventg, or at least curtailing, the read of bovine tuberculosis in tile are based rather more on notion than on scientific eviince. Badgers are most attracre and appealing creatures, ed television has seen to it that llions who have never seen the clusive animals in real life ve been entertained by their tics under an infra-red nighthr. No-one who has admired e wisdom of Badger in The ind in the Willows can contemate even the partial exterminan of his brethren with any eling other than dismay. Moreer, badgers do very little visi-2 harm—earing young shoots is e limit of their destructive wers—and they occasionally rform the useful function of ing insects, young mice and

for their Infortunately nirers, a significant proporof the badger population,

m Vice-Admiral Sir Ian McGeoch

An officer in the Armed Forces

loses a classified document, let

e shows one to an unauthorised on, risks trial by court martial,

race and termination of his

cording to David Wood (Octo-

271 an exception should be

e provided the document is suf-

ntly embarrassing to the

rament of the day, and particu-irament of the day, and particu-if the "leaker" should hap-to be "somebody in exalted 2". In acclaiming such action patriotic" Mr Wood encour-revelations that might, in fact,

elcome to the present govern-in showing how the level of

military capability and readi-could be achieved with less nditure than budgeted for.

e such source would be the

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ture of the Royal Pockvards

the United Kingdom, which was two been completed by April I year. No doubt it would indiways in which the efficiency of

140,000 civilians in the defence lishment might be brought un-at of the 255,000 members of

Armed Forces, acknowledged the finest in Europe—in con-

dockwards, but the manufac-

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Sope for improvement corres-

may great Managers councils the responsibility, but nor they counter politically mother industrial friction arising

the conviction—no doubt ans-

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ak on defence cuts

in the South West of England, harbours tuberculosis. The main gate the link between tubercular

disease among cattle.

tary expenditure contributes to

Only political leadership can

restore self-respect and pride in

achievement to a demoralized people. Service in our Armed Forces remains voluntary; their

members are drawn from a cross-

section of the population: why is

ir that, once in uniform, our people are first-rate while their civilian

contemporaries and "townies" are often slack, inefficient, disloyal and disgruntled?

safe, marked Top Secret? If so, perhaps a "leaker" could be for-

given! Yours faithfully, IAN McGEOCH, Editorial Director,

Naval Forces, Southerns, Castle Hedingham, Halstead, Essex.

'The Romans in Britain'

From Professor W. S. Allen, FBA

Sir. The erymology of the Latin obscenus is unknown and much dis-

puted, so that dogmatic assertions are out of place. But in the present

contaxt there is at least an ironic

appropriateness in the explanation given by the grammarian Varra, himself amongst other things a

distinguished Roman soldier and

sailor (though under Pompey rather than Caesar) and the author of

various lost works on the theatre. In his work De Lingua Latina (vii-96), like Mr Shackleton (October 27).

he connects the word with scaena

ne countries the word with scuents "stage", but with the opposite interpretation; obscene matters are so called he says, because they should not be publicly mentioned

except on the stage.

W. S. ALLEN, Trinity College, Cambridge,

Yours faithfully,

Is the answer lying in someone's

international capitalist system".

perhaps as much as one in five task of Lord Zuckerman, as a result of whose report the Minister of Agriculture has now taken the decision to resume the gassing of setts, was to investibadgers and the soread of the

accuses the badger of being a significant reservoir of bovine tuberculosis. There is evidence that since the last programme of gassing was abandoned a year ago, the disease has spread, particularly in areas with a high density of both badgers and cattle, mainly the South West. Moreover, transmission of the disease occurred not only between hadgers and cattle, but between different groups of badgers. Indeed. tuberculosis is now a considerable threat to the

culling to the degree envisaged will threaten the species with potential extinction. The present badger nopulation of the United Kingdom is certainly well over 100,000 and may be as much as half a million. It is perhaps showing a tendency to decline, because of the encroachment on the countryside by urban environments to which badgers bave not been able to adapt. but protection measures, and the peculiarly conducive conditions they have found for them-

His unambiguous conclusion for the hadgers and a far greater hazard to their con-

But the numbers which would involved in any gassing operation would not have any dramatic effect on the population. Death by tuberculosis would be a far greater horror

badger's own survival, quite tinuing survival. apart from the danger to cattle.

The cost of flying

From Mr A. J. Lucking Sir, In 1977 the Civil Aviation Authority reported on why Euro-pean air fares cost so much. Its answer was that for three of the six sample routes it examined, the airlines were charging the "normal economy," passenger nearly twice as much as it cost to carry him. On the other hand, heavy losses were incurred on providing first-class services, and also on the "tour hasing" fares, which had been evolved to compete with charter

Further, passengers from outside Europe who travel between the Continent's cities yield far less cash than local travellers. None of this could occur if proper price

competition was permitted. Mr Heigstrand. Denmark's
"Laker", testified during the 1977
inquiry that his Sterling airways
could make profits on the LondonCopenhagen route at half the International Air Transport Association's
"normal economy" fare. Now he
says he can manage with a third of
that amount, so the situation seems that amount, so the situation seems to be getting worse rather than

A policy of evolution is inappropriate and unacceptable whilst such blutant injustices persist. Each passenger should pay a price closely linked to the cost of carrying him, no more and no less. Price competi-tion is nature's way of making sure this happens. Yours faithfully,

A. J. LUCKING. Flat 20. 17 Broad Court. Bow Street, WC2. October 38.

#### seves in some parts of the country, have limited that trend.

of which is instructive.

The costs which the defendant was ordered to pay were allowed by the court at the sum of £89.73 and it has been necessary to make three appearances at court in rela-tion to the enforcement of that order in addition to the artendance at the original hearing and upon the travation of our bill of costs. Payment of the costs was eventually ally made as a result of a garnishee summons issued against the defen-dant's bank. Court fees totalling

From Mrs Charles Nunneley Sir, In London, a hundred years ago, there used to be spread outside

indulges in loud and protracted good-nights on neighbouring door-

bright colour-blue or orange or red, whichever would show un best or night—in order to remind people that it would be nice to keep this a quier place? Of course it wouldn't work as a check on everyone but might it not be worth trying to

Yours faithfully.

From Mr Peter Eljer

than non-existent jobs.

Croydon, Surrey.



#### **COURT CIRCULAR**

BUCKINGHAM PALACE October 30: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh, attended by the Hon Douglas Hurd, MP (Minis-ter of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs; Minister-in-Attendance), the Duchess of Grafton, Mrs John Dugdale, the Right Hon Sir Philip Moore, Vice-Admiral Str Peter Ashmore, Lieu-Robert Fellowes, Mr Michael Shea, Surgeon Captain Norman Placklock, RN, Air Commodore Sir Archie Winskill, Lieutenant-Colonel Blair Stewart-Wilson and Lord Rupert Nevill arrived at Heathrow Airport, London, this afternoon in a British Caledonian Boeing 707 aircraft (Captain L. R. R. Cotterell) from Morocco.

The Prince of Wales, having travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, visited the Ellesmere Porr Boys Club. Coronation Road, Ellesmere Port. Cheshire today and afterwards the Home Farm Trust home "The Lydlate", Willaston, Cheshire.

His Royal Highness, Patron, this afternoon visited the Abbey-field Society Home, 65 Prenton Road West, Birkenhead, Mersey-

The Prince of Wales later visited the Unity Boys Club and the Solway Community Centre, Dove Street, Liverpool. His Royal Highness this evening attended a Last Night of the Proms Concert in aid of the Mounthatten Memorial Trust and the Home Farm Trust at the Philharmonic Hall, Liverpool.

The Prince of Wales, attended the the Home Farm I Adeque Subset.

by the Hon Edward Adeane, subse-quently joined the Royal Train at Liverpool Lime Street Station. The Princess Anne. Mrs Mark The Princess Aone. Mrs Mark Phillips this afternoon opened the new premises of Renishaw Electrical Limited, Wotton-under-Edge, Gloucestershire and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Gloucestershire (Colonel M. St. J. V. Gibbs).

The Hon Mrs Legge-Bourke was in attendance.
Lady Abel Smith has succeeded
Mrs John Dugdale as Lady in
Waiting to The Queen.

CLARENCE HOUSE October 30: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother this evening honoured the Master of the

**Forthcoming** marriages

The engagement is announced between Neil Scott, son of Mr and Mrs I. Barbour, of Edinburgh, and Helen eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs G. Dodsworth, of Berkhamstead, Hertfordshire. Mr M. Bodiam and Miss A. Simon

The engagement is announced from New York between Mitchell,

rrom New York between Mirchell, son of the late Isak Bodiam and of Mrs Mary Bodiam, of Miami, and Amanda, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Maxwell Simon, of

and Miss J. Moira nictic The engagement is announced bek I tween Simon, son of Mr and Mrs
ze t John Dettmer, Bracken Cottage,
was I adworth, Surrey, and Juliet,
lobi younger daughter of Mr and Mrs
le q1. Christopher Moira, Stareton
ut m House, near Kenilworth, Warwickmethics of the start of the star

t in The engagement is announced bethe tween Hugh William, elder son of
t Mr and Mrs Inge-Innes-Lillingston
y. I Thorpe Hall, Tanworth, Staffordartic shire, and Catherine Marie
ligibl Françoise, elder daughter of M
on and Mme Lallau Keraly, 114 Rue
y, o ie Fleury, Clamart, Parls.

to Vir J. D. Miles ortion and Miss K. V. Kennedy vals he engagement is announced

to between Jeremy, younger sou of at if fr and Mrs Hugh Miles, 77 Hamilarati, on Terrace. St John's Wood, and thomas on the compar daughter of Mr and Mrs taxe: larold Kennedy, of Melbourne, \$50. ustralia.

Worshipful Company of Grocers (Mr Gerard Dent) and the Master of the Society of Apothecaries (Mr Guy Blackburn) with her presence at Dinner at Grocers' Ruth, Lady Fermoy and Sir Martin Giliat were in attendance,

KENSINGTON PALACE October 30: The Duke of Glou-cester. Patron, The Society of Engineers was present at a Dinner in celebration of the Society's 125th Anniversary, at City Livery Club, London.

Lieutenant-Colonel Simon Bland was in attendance.

The Duchess of Gloucester Patron of the Asthma Research Council was present, this after-noon, at an interdenominational Service at St Martin-in-the-Fields to mark the Centenary of the birth of the Reverend Dick Sheppard and afterwards attended a Reception at New Zealand House. The Hon Mrs Munro was in attend-ance. In the evening Her Royal Highness was present at the Carnation Wightman Cup under the direction of the Lawn Tennis Association at Royal Albert Hall, London. Mrs Michael Wigley was in attendance.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE October 30: Princess Alexandra and the Hon Angus Ogilvy were entertained at Dinner this even-ing by His Excellency the Ambassador of the Socialist Republic of the Union of Burma Madame Maung at the

Residence.
The Lady Mary Fitzelan-Howard was in attendance.

The Duke of Gloucester has become patron of the Richard III Society and of the International Vascular Symposium 1981.

The Duchess of Kent, as patron, will attend the "Not Forgotten" Association's Christmas party at the Royal Mews, Buckingham Palace, on December 9.

The Duchess of Kent, patron of the Spastics Society will attend a carol service in aid of the Stara Organization for Spastics at the Festival Hall on December 13.

BBC plan to

By Kenneth Gosling Arts Reporter

produce 19 plays

the two bodies had not got to-gether before; he hoped it meant the start of a long collaboration. The festival's director, Mr Jack

London: Ema, by Bernard Kops (theatre under negotiation); and a children's play by Susan Hill for the Unicorn Theatre.

Midlands: House Wives, by Louise

Page (Derby Playhouse); Beef, by David Powaall (Paines Plough Touring Co, Warwick); and a play by Ron Hutchinson for the Belgrade Theatre, Coventry.

North: Going Natire, by James Robson (Leeds Playhouse); A Snip in Time, by Alan Bleasdale (Oldham Coliseum), and Watches

of the Night, by Stephen Jeffreys (Pocket Theatre, Cumbria).

South-east: A play by Olwen Wymark (Orange Tree Theatre,

Wymark (Orange Tree Theatre, Richmond): The HMI, by Adrian Mitchell (7:84 Touring Co), and a play by Stephen Davis (theatre under negotiation).

West: The Air Apparent, by John Wood and Ric Jerrom (Natural Theatre Company, Bath Arts Workshop); I Love My Love, by Fay Weldon (theatre under nego-

tiation), and Dancing Ledge, by Paul Hyland (Orchard Theatre Co,

Wales: Play and venue to b megotiated.

The plays will be broadcast on Radio 3 either before or after their theatrical productions.

Beaford, Devon).

Princess Alexandra, patron and Air Chief Commandant of Princess Mary's Royal Air Force Nursing Service, will visit Royal Air Force Hospital Nocton Hall, Lincoln-shire, on November 21. Princess Alexandra will be present at the royal concert given in aid of the Musicians Benevolent Fund and allied musical charities at the

Birthdays today

Professor W. F. Grimes, 75; Mr Alastair Hetherington, 61; Profes-sor R. F. Mahler, 56; Sir God-frey Mitchell, 89; Sir Ernest Oliver, 80; Rear-Admiral M. J. Ross, 72; Lord Rothschild, 70; Sir Edward Snelson, 76; Major-General V. Thomas, 83.

Mr J. Hakko and Miss C. Bobroff The engagement is announced between Jeff, son of Mr and Mrs Albert Hakko, of Istanbul, and Carole, daughter of Mr and Mrs Ben Bobroff, of London, N2.

Mr C. J. P. Price and Miss N. Abdul-Razzaq Nasset Al-Alawi Al-Alawi
The engagement is announced between Charles John Pembroke., elder son of Mr and Mrs
J. M. P. Price, of Killigrews, Margaretting, Ingatestone, Essex, and Naseema, eldest daughter of Sayyed Abdul-Razzaq Nasser Al-Alawi, of Manama, Bahrain.

Mr P. W. Sumerting and Miss J. M. V. Bassett The engagement is announced between Paul, eldest son of Dr and Mrs M. D. Sumerling, of Brockencote, Riding Mill, North-umberland, and Jenny, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs L. A. Bassett, of Colinton Road, Edin-burgh.

Marriages

Pocket Theatre, Cumbria).

Northern Ireland: Stuffing It, by Robin Glendinning (Arts Theatre, Belfast, subject to confirmation). Scotland: A play by William Grant (Perth Theatre); Scotlish Pygmalion, by Marcella Evaristi (Wildcat Theatre Touring Co); and One. Tivo, Three, by Tom McGrath (Traverse Theatre Club). Mr P. D. C. Allen and Mrs S. M. Hall shire.

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The marriage has taken place
quietly in London between Mr

Peter Allen and Mrs Sonia Hall

(nee Sothcott).

Mr J. G. Glendinning
and Mrs A. R. Law
The marriage took place quietly
at Marylebone, Westminster Council House, on October 23, between
Mr James Garland Glendinning and
Mrs Arna Buth Law both of Anne Ruth Law, both of

Mr H, D. d'A. Staveley-Hill and Miss A. T. N. Trasenster and Miss A. T. N. Trasenster.
The marriage took place in London on Friday, October 24, between Mr Henry Staveley-Hill, son of Mr and Mrs Staveley-Hill, and Miss Anna Trasenster, elder daughter of Major and Mrs Michael Transenster.

## Arts Council and Keen prices for Japanese swords

A visitor admiring a 1930 portrait of Regent's Canal, Paddington, at a preview of an exhibition

of the work of Algernon Newton, which starts tomorrow at the Royal Academy, London.

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent

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Sotheby's in Bond Street finished
their three-day, six-session sale of
Japanese art yesterday satisfied
that the new strategy of a
"Japanese week" had attracted
and held a strong contingent of
foreign buyers. Higher than
expected prices were recorded
among the swords and sword
fittings and the lacquer; lower
than expected prices among the
netsuke carvings and Chinese contemporary paintings.
Yesterday's two sessions were

Arts Reporter
The BBC and the Arts Council are to work together for the first time to produce a festival of drama in which 19 new plays will be performed on the radio and in the theatre.

They will be produced between the first in a \$100,000 collaboration entitled Radio Theatre 81. The 19 plays, selected from 300, were announced at a press conference at the BBC in London yesterday.

Sir Roy Shaw, secretary-general of the Arts Council, regretted that the two bodies had not got to-Yesterday's two sessions were devoted to Japanese prints, Japanese and Chinese paintings; the day's total was £276,330, with 3 per cent unsold. The most distinguished print on offer was a Sharaku portrait of the actor Segawa Kikunoin III on a mica ground at £24,000 (estimate 522,000 to £25,000); the print used to belong to Henri Vever and was sold from his collection at The festival's director, Mr Jack Emery, associate director of the Old Vic, said that many theatres were facing considerable financial difficulties. He appealed for a spousor to provide funds for a publicity drive, and to set up a small fund to help theatrical productions.

Four of the 19 plays have been written. The list, region by region, is: sold from his collection at Sotheby's in 1974 for £6,000. A second Sharaku portrait failed to find a buyer because of its con-dition and was brought in at

H M Government
The Secretary of State for Defence,
Mr Francis Pym, was host at a
luncheon given by Her. Majesty's,
Government at 1 Carlton Gardens
yesterday in honour of the
Minister of Defence of Italy, Other
ware.

Minister of Defence of Italy, Other 202515 were: Lieurenant-General Mario, de Paolis Dr. Vido Flaschi, Capiain Anionio Stagnano, General Ciusoppe Desli Innocenti, Lord Strathcona and Mount Ferrers, Birn Bryander Emperiment Ferrers, Birn Celtchloy, Mr. Mr. Mr. Stephen Ross, Alp. Mr. Keyin Mr. Mr. Mr. John Gibert, Mp. Dr. Alan Cive, Mp. Mr. John Gilbert, Mp. Dr. Alan Cive, Mp. Mr. J. B. Bourn, Air Vico-Marshal J. A. Gilbert, Mr. W. J. Adamis, Colonel A. A. Julius, Mr. B. M. Norbury, Mr. A. Lawrence, Air Commodore J. W. Frost and Group Capiair, Philip Heal.

Lord Mayor of Westminster
The Lord Mayor of Westminster
gave a luncheon at City Hall yes
terday to meet Mr J. N. C.
James, President of the Royal In-

stitution of Chartered Surveyors.

who was accompanied by Mr Robert Steel, secretary-general.

Association

Mr. Neil Marten, Minister of State.

Foreign and Commonwealth Office. and Mr Laurence Pavitt, MP, were

hosts at a luncheon given by the

nosts at a function given by the executive committee of the United Kingdom branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association in the House of Commons yesterday in honour of the High Commissioner for Zambia, Miss L. P. Chibesakunda.

The Speaker gave a dinner in

Speaker's House yesterday at which the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Cardiff were present.

Today's engagements

The Prince of Wales presents Girl Technician of the Year Award for 1930, South Bank Poly-technic. London Road, 11.15.

Princess Alexandra opens District General Hospital, Sandwell, West Midlands, 3.

Flower Show: National Chrysan-rhemum Society show, Royal Horticultural Society Hall, Vin-cent Square, 1-6.30.

cent square, 1-5.50.

Exhibitions: Camile Pissarro, 1830-1903. Hayward Gallery, South Bank, 10-8: The Centle Eye. National Portrait Gallery, 10-5; Mythical Images by Picelli and Degli Abbati. Galerie George, 96-98 George Freet, Westminster, 10-6. British Art Now, Royal Academy Arts, Piccadilly Circus, 10-6.

Chibesakunda.

Dinners

Other guests were:

Luncheons

H M Government

£10,000 (estimate £16,000 to

Landscape prims by artists such as Hokusai and Hiroshige again proved immensely popular. A fine impression of Hokusai's famous "Wave" sold for £9,500 (estimate £10,000 to £13,000) while an example in very poor condition made £5,500 (estimate £4,000 to £5,000).

25,000).

At the end of the sale Sotheby's had added a group of Chinese painting by contemporary arrists, an experiment based on the high prices they fetch in Hong kong auctions. It was less than successful; only paintings by artists well known in the West found buyers at substantial prices. Xi Beihong, the man who does the horses on Boots calendars, had a couple of "Heaverly horses in the Western Desert" at £2,200 and £2,300, against estimates ranging from £800 to £2,000.

At Sotheby's Belgravia, Japanese

At Sotheby's Belgravia, Japanese ivories, works of art, ceramics and furniture were on offer, 93 particularly fine lots which fotalled £148,380, with 12 per cent unsold.

Lady Mayoress The Lord Mayor and the Lady

Royal Institution of Chartered

Surveyors The City of London Branch of the

speakers were Mr Alex Dibbs and Mr K. H. Chapman. Mr J. N. C. James, President of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors.

Society of Engineers The Duke of Gloucester, patron, was present at the 125th contver-

Talks and lectures: "Archaeo-

logy of the dead: a Roman official in Britain", 11.30, "Design and fashion in Roman

wall-painting" by Simon Wilson,
1.15. British Museum; "The
Social Vision of Alfred Adler"
by Dr Violet Macdermot,
Swedenborg Hall, Barter Street,
Bloomsbury, 8; "Max Beckmann: Prunier" by Sarah
O'Brien Tunkir Toto Callert 1.

mann: Prunier" by Sarah O'Brien-Twohy, Tate Gallery, 1; "Sebastiano del Piombo, Rais-ing of Lazarus" by Audrey Tyadall, National Gallery, 1.

Lunchtime music: Connie Payton, soprano, and Hilary Caine, piano, Guildhall of Music and Drama, Barbican, 1.10.

Memorial Services: Mr C. Pirte-Gordon, Crypt Chapel, St Paul's Cathedral, noon; Mrs J. Per-civol (Jacky Gillott), All Souls, Langham Place, noon.

The infant daughter of the Hon John and Mrs Allsopp was christened Kathryn Sarah by the Rev Richard Maclaren at Christ Church. Victoria Road, W8, on October 29. The gotparents are the Hon Charles Allsopp (for whom Mr Hugh Myddelton stood proxy). Mr Rhydian Morgan-Jones, Mr Julian Seymour, Mrs Simon Keswick, Miss Penny Mackenzie and Mrs Sheldon Prentice.

The infant son of Mr and Mrs

Peter Fletcher was christened Andrew Mark by the Rev John Westmuckert in the Guards Chapel.

Wellington Barracks, un Tuesday, October 28, 1980. The godparents are Lieutenant-Colonei Christopher

Wolverson (for whom Mr Francis Fulford stood proxy). Mr Charles Goodall, Mr John Greenaway, Mrs

Richard Heywood and Miss Chan-ial Langley.

Christenings

A two-day, five-session sale of

A two-day, five-session sale of inneteenth-century and modern Dutch paintings at Sorheby Mak van Waay finished yesterday with a total of £841,099, of which 30 per cent was unsold. A mysterious landscape of 1909-10, "Valavond", by Gustave van de Woestijne made the top price at \$2,000 guilders (estimate 40,000 to 60,000) or £16,433.

At Christie's in King Street

At Christie's in King Street, yesterday a sale of oak furninger and carpets realized £70,528, with 28 per cent unsold; the unsold percentage was largely generated by difficulties with the carpets. At Christie's South Kensington a sale of nineteenth and twentieth-

century photographs, with prices neither high nor much lower than usual, totalled £65,304, with 12 per

In New York, Christie's sale of silver, virtu and watches on Wednesday made £322,743; with 3 per cent unsold.

Faraday House Old Students' Association Air Marshal Sir Herbert Durkin,

Air Marshal Sir Herbert Durkin, President of the Institution of Electrical Engineers, was the guest of honour at the annual dinner of the Faraday House Old Students' Association held at Quaglino's restaurant yesterday. Lord Nelson of Stafford replied to the toast of the guests which was proposed by the president of the association, Mr Kenneth Druce, a fellow of the institution. The Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress entertained the following guests at dinner at the Madsion. House yesterday. The Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress of Adelaide, Mr and Mrs David Donne, Mr and Mrs John W. Hackelt, Mr Alderman and Mrs Brian Jonkins. the Lord Chief Justice and Lady Lane, Air Vice-Marshal and Mrs Prior Lefham, Mrs Carole Law, Miss Prior Lefham, Mrs Carole Law, Miss Maureen Mackey and Mr and Mrs G, Brian Nelson.

Service dinner

Royal Naval Engineering College
Vice-Admiral Sir William PiNar,
Chief of Fleer Support, was the
guest of honogr and proposed the
toast to the grimortal Memory of
Admiral Later, Melson at a
Trafalgar Market Fleer Held yesterday at the state of the state of the
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Command Thursderer.

The City of London Branch of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors held their annual dinner at Drapers' Hall vesterday. Mr K. E. Way, Chairman of the branch, presided and the other cheakers were Mr Alex Dibbs and The Lade to the Was At Home at the Massa House yesterday to the Court of Aldermen, Court of Common Council, digitaries of the church, the judiciary, civic organizations and many Masters and Prime Wardens of Livery

Companies and their ladies. Meeting

was present at the 125th onniver-sary dinner of the Society of Engineers held at the City Livery Club yesterday. Mr. D. J. Hard-castle, president, welcomed the guests who included the Lord Mayor of London, at a reception held before dinner. Mr D. L. Robinson was the guest speaker Royal United Services Institute for Defence Studies
General Sir Harry Tuzo, who has
succeeded Air Chief Marshal Sir
John Barraclough as Chairman of
the Council of the Royal United
Services Institute for Defence
Studies presided over the president and other guests included Dr Ir G. Spaepen: who was presented with the Gairn EEC Gold Medal, and Mr Alan Groves, Chairman of the Architects Registration Council of the United Kingdom. Studies, presided over 'a meeting of the council held yesterday at the institute.

> Asthma Research Council.

The Duchess of Gloucester, Patronof the Asthma Research Council,
attended an interdenominational
service at St Martin-in-the-Fields
held yesterday to commemorate,
the centenary of the birth of the
Rev Dick Sheppard, a former vicar
of the church, who died as a
result of asthma. She was received
by the Lord Mayor of Westminster
and Mr Dennis Walters, MP,
chairman of the council.

The Rev Austen Williams offici-

The Rev Austen Williams officiated and the Dean of Westminster gave an address. Mr Dennis Waters, MP, chairman of the council, read the first lesson and the second lesson was read by Mrs Gordon Richardson, daughter of the late Rev Dick Sheppard.

The Duchess of Character was The Duchess of Gloucester, was the guest of honour at a reception beld afterwards at Martini Rossi Terrace where Professor Charles Fletcher, a member of the council, addressed the company. Special prayers for asthma sufferers will be said in Canter-bory Cathedral and other cathedrals and churches through-

Latest appointments Latest appointments include:
Mr Philip Bounford, deputy director of Northern Arts, to be the
first mational secretary of the council of Regional Arts Associations.

out the country on Sunday.

Inner Temple The Right Hon The Lord Roskill, PC, has been elected an Honorary Master of the Bench of the Inner Temple.

Mr M. J. Hossey (vice-chairman. Times Newspapers Holdings). with Mr Donald Berrett Indvertising direct College of the College of Times Newspapers; and other Irionda.

Mrs E. E. Springhali

Mrs E. E. Springhall
A service of thankspiving for the
life of Mrs E. E. Springhall was
held on Tuesday, October 28, at
St. Michael's, Chester Square.
Relations and friends attended as
well as representatives of Hans
Town ... Ward and the Chelsea
Conservatives Association, and The
Prince of Wales's Own, Regiment
of Yorkshire and The East York
shire Regimental Association.

**OBITUARY** 

DR GEORGE BORG OLIVIER Prime Minister who led Malta independence

Dr George Borg Olivier, scho Malta's Prime Minister led the island to independence from Britain in 1964, died at his home in Sliema on October 29. He was 69. Borg Olivier was twice Prime Minister of Make. from 1950 to 1955 during which period the island was a self governing crown colony, and from 1962 to 1971 when his Nationalist Party was defeated by Mr Dom Mintoff's Labour Party. He was also leader of the Nationalist Party from 1950. to 1976.

At the opposite end of the political spectrum from his opponent of many years, Dom.

Mintoff, Borg Olivier also
differed from him in remoterament; while shrewd he was
somewhat langurous. Unlike
Mintoff he believed strongly that Malra would become
that Malra's natural strategic annuals not later than Mintott he beheved strongy that Malta would become in that Malta's natural strategic. affinities were with Europe and and in that year a new de the West; he had welcomed constitution presented by Maltos Mediterranean Head Olivier was endorsed by Maltos Legislative Assemblater retered by Mintoff and the British Government

and Britain.

George Borg Otivier was born in Valletta on July 5, 1911, the fifth sod of W. Borg Otivier, an architect and civil engineer and a member, of a well amown Maltese family. He was educated at the Valletta Lyceum and the Royal University of Malta obtaining his Doctorate of Laws in 1937. He adopted the profession of a Notary Public, and entered pointics as a member of the Nationalist Party—the pro-Inalian Party—just before the outbreak of war in 1939 as a Member of the old Council of Government, which he remained from 1939 to 1947.

In 1947 he was elected to the

In 1947 he was elected to the Legislative Assembly set no under the new postwar selfgoverning Constitution, and in 1950 had his first experience of office as Minister of Works and Reconstruction and Minister of Education in Dr Mizzi's Nationalist Cabinet. He first came to power at the

end of 1950 when he succeeded end of 1950 when he succeeded to the leadership of the Nationalist Party and the Fremiership on the death of Dr. Enrico Mizzi. In 1951 he formed a coalition with the Malta Workers Party and, in spite of a small majority, this government en-dured until 1955, when it was defeated in the Assembly by

Mr Mintoff's Malta Labour Party was returned to power, and Borg Olivier became leader and Borg Olivier became leader. Supersede the 150s construints of the opposition, a post which he himself was one of the he held until the crisis of 1958 who wored against the charlest when Mr Mintoff resigned Borg Olivier refused to take over, Nationalist Party was account in 1959 the constitution of panied by falling health after the Nationalists see island was ruled directly by the consecutive general election island was ruled directly by the Colonial Office, through the Governor, until the new constitution came into force in 1962. In the elections of February

his first premiership—a step lastese legislative Assem and the British Government of the British Olivier became the first Pri

Minister of an independ

Malta.

Throughout his period office he pursued a street pro-Western line. Le 1953 () had already accepted Nathadalandraneau (HAFMED), the island, and though he combe prickly on occasions when during his first term.

Prime Minister he had alm refused to come to the Quee coronation over what he say a slight to Malta in as a slight to Malta in atrangements — his intentifor very sound reconomic well as arrategic reasons, valways to keep British troe in Malta. But he was not a to halt the rundown of Brit defence expenditure in island and the reduction of the state of long established and ma component of the Mair economy was a threat to e ployment both to his Nationa administration and the c

In 1971 his defeat general election by Minto Labour Party ended nine ye of Nationalist rule and B Olivier became Leader of --Opposition. Though he gave: Nationalist Party a free vote. Parliament in 1974 on the or tion of the adoption of a n Republican constitution supersede the 1964 constitution persuaded to give up leadership.

Though retaining his pai 1962 Borg Olivier's Nationalist mentary seat he had sinte figure 1962 Borg Olivier's Nationalist mentary seat he had sinte figure 1962 become Prime Minister again. 1943, Alexandra nee Mat In the following year the They had two sons and a British Government announced daughter. mentary seat he had since he

from 1954 to 1974 died on October 29. He was 74.

By his death the publishing world has lost one of its most brilliant members, and the world at large a man whose zest for life and personal charm will be missed among a wide circle of friends.

Ian Macnaghten Parsons was born on May 21, 1905, the only son of the late Edward Percival Parsons of Pont Street, SW. From Winchester, where he was a commoner, he went up to Trinity College Cambridge, was later awarded a senior scholar-ship and obtained a first class in the English Tripos. He also edited The Granta. In 1928 he entered the publishing firm of Chamo and Windus and two years later was taken into parmership.

Although this was still a comparatively small firm it had come to the front again. in the decade following the First World War ander the direction of Charles Prentice Harold Raymond They had an unrivalled list of authors and were in the van of modern book-designing. Here was a fine opening for a young man and Parsons brought to it great business ability com-bined with a devotion to English literature, superabundant energy and no lack of ideas. energy and no lack of ideas. During the middle 1930s he was the prime mover in launching Night and Day, a brilliant weekly which was bidding fair to being the British counterpart of The New Yorker until some unfortunate litigation brought it to an untimely end it to an untimely end.

On the outbreak of war in September 1939 Parsons and his wife immediately joined the Auxiliary Fire-Service in London and in the following year he took a commission in the RAFVR. He served in France on staff duties and intelligence work until the evacuation and again in that country after the invasion of Normandy. It was his great regret that he was not accepted he was now 34, for operational flying. He attained the rank of wing-commander and was appointed OBE.

In the expansion of publishing and the growth of administrative problems after the war Parson took a leading part. Chatto and Windus was formed into a limited company as was also the Hogarth Press and Christophers which had taken into association with the older firm. Parsons became chairman in 1954, upon Ray. mond's retirement. His individual mark was especially seen in the publications of members of the Cambridge English School, in a discerning and often adventurous choice of contemporary poetry, and in a number of books on aerial warfare. He was a vigilant but, kindly critic of members of the Cambridge Mr W. Arthur Rutter, CBE English School in a discerning and often adventurous choice of contemporary postry, and in a number of books on aerial warfare. He was appointed OBE in 194 and advanced to CBE in 1948.

MR I. M. PARSONS

Mr I. M. Parsons CBE, Chair- his authors and personally to man of Chatto and Windus Ltd : entless trouble over designs.

ductions.

He himself might well he been a writer of note. His o books were Shades of Alba (1928); The Progress of Poet (1936); Poetry for Pleasu (1956); Men Who March Au (1965), an anthology of poet of the First World War; Poet of C. Day Lewis (1977); all The Collected Works of Isa Rosenberg. These selection have admirable critical intr

Parsons was also a singular good reader of poetry and brilliant speaker. This last we achieved the hard way; on his intimates knew how muc effort he put into those, with and with addresses the seemed to come so smooth and easily.

been awarded an Hon Distriction the University of St. Andrews in 1975 and was advanced to CBE in 1971.

rt in politics his sympathi his undergraduate days, and found expression in unobtra sive work for others. Amid the many calls on his time and energy he long continued to take a class in English literature at the Working Men's College and the Working Men's College and had many friend there. A capacity for friend ship was perhaps his greates gift. He was a much liked member of the Garrick Club's Among his many activities h was a keen gardener, a good, traveller, and fond of yachtin when he had the opportunity

He was a director of Hunte-and Foulis Ltd. the Edinburg printers, and of the Repris Society Ltd. From 1957-59 h was a most acceptable President of the Publishers Asse. ciation and in the year following he was foremost it organizing the case for the pub lishers and booksellers in the action in 1962 in the Restrict tive Practices Court, and the successful result for those professions was largely due to

Parsons was a Director of the Scottish Academic Press from 1969 to 1976 and of Sussex University Press from 1971 to 1976. He was Chairman of Sprint Productions Ltd as well as being a Joint Chairman of Chatto, Bodley Head and Jonathan Cape, Ltd. He became Court Assistant. the Stationers' and Newspaper Makers' Co in 1977. He had Although he took no active had been with socialism siace

He married, in 1934, Marjori Tulip Ritchie, an artisf o distinction. There were in children of the marriage.

# The night sky in November

The but your Astronomy Correspondent to I Mercury will be at inferior constitution on the 3rd and will reach reatest morning elongation on the 9th, when it will rise nearly two ours before the Sun but the 1 litude will remain low, heles: Venus remains a prominent ue. A bject in the morning sky, rising sarly 1 about 04h. Very close to Saturn ave g ill be within only a few degrees, om west to east, Jupiter, the

re to look, Saturn and Venus, Sunon the se will be ar about 07h.

I that Mars will be too close to the iddlet in for observation, though still in evening trans. had the revening star. In the rising star that the property in Virgo, will be rising share the about 02h30m in mid-month and drawing near to Saturn, which

exceeds in brightness by two id a half magnitudes.

Saturn will be rising soon after piter and only three degrees om it, with a fourth magnitude

om it. with a fourth magnitude ar between them early in the outh. It will be less bright than a neighbouring Venus by over ur magnitudes.

Uranus will be in conjunction the the Sun on the 18th.

Neptune will be too near the in for observation.

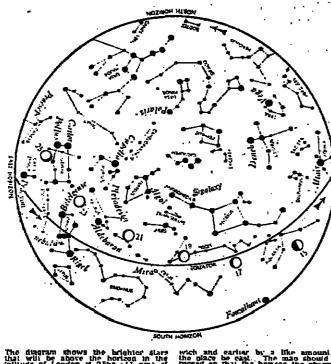
The Moon: new. 7d21h; first arter. 15d16h: full. 22d07h; arter. 15d16h: full. 22d07h; it quarter, 29d10h. The Moon ip lui Il occult (pass in front of) the IPs h: ight star Aldebaran on the 22nd, law the will disappear at about law iich will disappear at about to se 143m and reappear at the west ought to at about 21h 20m, exact times y the pending upon the location of cobserver.

aent algol: approximate times of pretecting minima are 19d21th and ilege 13h.

with the Leonid meteors. minat teors as such were discussed the August notes with special rous erence to the Perseids, which in MP rided a rewarding shower for maricated observers in the early

ld mar he radiant of the Leonids is in papers, head of Leo (or the hook of com Sickle), and this is not satisil after midnisht. spoile ust as the Perseids are associawith a comet and follow a

ot be chetary orbit, so are the Leonids, Party net 1866 I, and when the Earth a laisses that orbit the planet and en meteoroids are moving in is e osite directions, giving a high Shador ed encounter. idea nomenal, almost like a snow-per w.m. and that started the real ly of such events. Historians sed backwards for nearly a usand years and found that or November displays had



occurred at intervals of 33-34 years with, of course, some meteors every November. The elliptical orbit stretches out as far as the planet Uranus, and although meteoroids are scattered throughout, giving something each year, there is a great bunch of them with the 33-year period.

The 1833 event was not repeated though 1866 was quite active; 1899 and 1932 each produced more meteors than in an average year. but nothing spectacular. There was a short brilllant display in 1966, seen from the United States but it was after sunrise in the United

The maximum for this, ordinary. The maximum for this, ordinary, year is predicted for the morning of the 17th, but there should be some activity for two days before and after. There will be little point in observing until well after midnight: if the observer stays up long enough there will be a rewarding display of planets in the east (see Venus above).

is now useful for readers to keep back issues of the monthly map. For the positions of the Moon and the more quickly moving planets, only the current map will do, but for the location of con-

it is to have the clock saying 5 pm!) and the stars should be well out by 18h. This month's map, however, is timed for 23h. The map for September applies also to November 1st at 19h and 19 page 18 pm. 17h and 18 pm. 18h and 18h an December 1st at 17h, and is there-fore suitable for use in those months soon after dark. A little later in the evening the October map is correct for the 1st of this month at 21h. As each fortuight passes a map will apply to one hour earlier; this fact appears under the map in small print each

stellations those of previous months are suitable. For the next three months the Sun will set before 17h (how nice

From The Times of Tuesday, Nov 1, 1955 Princess's statement The following personal message was issued by Princess Margaret from Clarence House last night: "I would like it to be known

25 years ago

that I have decided not to marry Group Captain Peter Townsend. I have been aware that, subject to my renouncing my rights of suc-cession, it might have been pos-sible for me to contract a civil starctiage. But, mindful of the Church's teaching that Christian marriage is indissoluble, and con-scious of my duty to the Commonwealth, I have resolved to put these considerations before any others."
The message, signed "Margaret", was dated Monday, October 31.

Latest wills Mrs Marjorie Smurthwaite, of Twickenham, London, left estate valued at £177.304 net. After personal bequests she left the residue equally between St Dunstans, the Greater London Fund for the Greater London Fund for the Bilind, Royal National Mission to Deep See Fishermen, People's Dispensary for Sick Animals and Royal British Lezion. Other estates include (net, before 

hose present were:

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Memorial services Mr W. A. L. Michell

A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Mr Walter Anthony Levinge Michell was held at St Bride's, Floet Street, yesterday. Prebendary Dewi Morgan officiated assisted by the Rev T. Saunders. Mr George Barranger read the lesson and Mr John Marriott gave an address. Among

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Community were 95 per t higher then at the end-

he estimate for fire damage

Great Britain for September 36.6m. Four fires each cost

, and a total of 17 are each

mated to have cost more

2 £250,000. During the ish there were 93 fires cost-more than £40,000.

irds Eye Foods and Wall's

Cream are to merge and a new company Birds Eye

l's on January 1. They are id leaders, with Birds Eye ig about 40 per cent of the in foods market and Wall's

ats Paton, the threads yany, maintained worldwide volume in the first half 1980 but exchange moves, higher interest charges reduced margins left preprofits down from £31.0m 16.7m. The interim dividend lid at 20 gross.

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**BUSINESS NEWS** 

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## JET Ind 4928 down 0.4 FR Glis 7229 down 0.01 UK in wrangle over quotas for steel tubes

From Peter Norman

Luxembourg, Oct 30

The prolonged struggle to introduce a system of compulsory production limits for the European steel industry ran into further trouble tonight because of an unexpected wrangle bet-ween Britain and West Germany over the rules that should apply to steel produced as a raw material for tubes.

whereas britain left the meeting couvinced that only steal destined for wide diameter tibe production should be exempted from production quotas, it emerged today that Germany believes that steel made as a raw material for any sort of tube should be produced free of constraint. free of constraint.

· This idea which in British eyes amounts to a severe cir-cumvention of the planned Britain has agreed to deliver Greece 75,000 tons of North quota system, was condemned at a further meeting of the ineek reply to the British offer an energy deal centred on a dustry ministers today by Mr Adam Burler, the British Mini-ster of State for Industry. I fired power station costing

It was however, enthuiasti-cally supported by Dr Otto Lambsdorff, the German econo-mics minister, who has been battling for the past three and a half weeks to have steel pro-duction in the EEC subject to as few limitations as possible.

At one point early in the meeting German delegation sources were claiming that British insistence on a narrow definition over the tube issue would force Dr Lambsdorff to leave the meeting to seek further guidance at next Wednes-day's session of the cabinet in

Before today's meeting began Mr Butler made clear that he would only make concessions on proposed steel quotas if they led to a final agreement on the

Unions walk out

of textile talks

Representatives of textile

and clothing workers through-out the EEC walked out of a

meeting with the European Commission today in disgust at what they felt was lack of con-

cern about the threat to the

Before going into the meeting, Mr. Alec Smith, chairman of the TUC's textile, clothing,

and footwear industries com-mittee, accused the Com-mission of being either deliberately complacent or

downright incompetent ". Afterwards, he reduced the charge to one of "deliberate complacency".

Mr Smith said textile workers

might have no choice but to make a "dramatic gesture"

such as seeking support from

transport and dock workers

throughout the EEC for a

blockade of cheap textile

What especially annoyed Mr

Smith and his colleagues was the status of officials sent to talk to them. The official who

chaired the meeting had been in Brussels for only a few months and confessed he knew little about the textile industry.

The textile unions were concerned at the failure of the in-ternational General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade's multi-

fibres arrangement to restrict riures arrangement to restrict cheap imports and are anxious that the Commission should open negotiations soon on tougher measures to succeed the

arrangement when it expires at

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the end of next year.

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industry from cheap imports.

led to a final agreement on the scheme today.

Referring to the problem of special steels on which agreement could not be reached last Saturday because of German insistence that they should be exempted from quota restrictions, Mr Butler said that he had taken a strong line at the Hes reach £100m orders for undersea tele-immoration cable systems interiores and the system of t bridiary, bringing the comhad taken a strong line at the while consumption last meeting and intended to by 4.2 per cent.

Brussels, Oct 30

take a strong line again today.

He said that Britain might be able to accept some small changes to its stand that special steel production should be subject to quota, but in general the more exemptions granted, the greater the leak-age there would be in the Commission's plans which are intended to end the ruinous price war in European steel

The Commission today pro-duced a compromise suggestion in the hope of satisfying West German demands that its small and medium sized special steel producers should be exempted from quota restrictions.

It proposed that the produc-ion threshold at which quotas the proposed that the produc-tion threshold at which quotas should apply to individual com-panies should be raised to 2,000 tonnes a month from 1,000 tonnes in the original proposals put forward by Viscount Etienne Davignon, the industry commissioner, on October 6. But Dr Lambsdorff dismissed

the new suggestion as a "negligible improvement". He claimed that only one West German manufacturer of rolled special steels would benefit from the move.

However, a German counterproposal to exempt from quotas only the high value alloyed special steels, ran into firm British opposition. The Germans claim that such

steels, which account for about 80 per cent of their special steel production, should be exemp ted from quotas to prevent penalization of small companies, many of which depend heavily on special steel production and some of which have healthy orderbooks.

slumping orders and mounting losses among the mainly privately-owned special steel producers around Sheffield, made was described as a "very strong intervention" ampless. strong intervention," emphasiz-ing that Britain attaches great importance to the imposition of quotes on special steels. while consumption of coal fell

## W Germany and UDS to close 100 menswear shops

A merger of two of the best known memswear chains, John Collier and Alexandre, was announced yesterday. It will lead to the closure of more than 100 shops and the loss of about 500 johs. 500 jobs.
United Drapery Stores, the

parent company, announced that the Alexandre name would disappear but the John Collier name would continue.

The menswear operation will in future be known as John Collier Menswear instead of UDS Tailoring. In Scotland the Claude Alexander name will

last night expressed its concern will have talks with UDS management next week.

Mr Stuart Lyons, UDS managing director, said last night that the closing of 25 per cent of the menswear shops was not a direct result of the current trading recession—which has hit trade badly, especially men's and women's clothing— but part of a rationalization programme begun several years

In the first half of the current financial year UDS profits fell by £8m from £10.04m to £2.05m, with almost disappear and be replaced by fill of the fall accounted for The Union of Shop, Distributive and Allied Workers, the fill of the fall accounted for by the slump in sales of men's and women's clothing.

The measwear operation recorded a trading loss of £1m against a £500,000 profit in the corresponding period of last

Under the changes planned about 25 of the shops will continue in business under the names of other UDS retail outlets and the rest will close.

UDS said that the rationalization of the menswear opera-tion formed a part of its longer-

term strategy which had in-volved reshaping the group's manufacturing operations. Ten years ago UDS operated 13 factories making ready-towear clothes for its retail out-lets. Since the beginning of this year that has been reduced to one factory, at Hartlepool, employing 800.

improved severance payments for those workers who will lose

redundancies.

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## Coal stocks

pany could no longer justify trading through three menswear

trading through three menswear retail outlets and the John Collier name was considered the strongest of the three.

"The present trading conditions have not helped but it was our plan to make this rationalization anyway", he said.

Mr Terry Sullivan, Usdaw's national officer for the mens-wear trade, said last night that the union would attempt in

talks next week with manage-ment to reduce the number of

It would also try to secure

for six years By Peter Hill

highest

Industrial Editor Coal stocks are at their highest level for six years. This reflects the reduced level of demand from the Central Electricity Generating Board and the steep fall in demand from the steel industry.

Department of Energy statistics published last night showed that the CEGB is now holding stocks of coal at its power stations totalling nearly 19 mil-lion tonnes, the highest level for two years, while total stocks at the end of September amounted to 35.1 million tonnes.

The levels of stocks moved up by 2.2 million tonnes betweer August and September, with about half of the increase accounted for by a build up at power stations, with most of the balance accounted for by a build up of undistributed stocks held at collieries and open cast

The NCB expects to sell about 6 million tonnes of coal less than it did last year and that the industry has seen in the last 18 years. In an effort to maintain its cash flow the the NCB is now selling coal unprofitably in export markets. In the three month period

to September, coal production rose by 2.2 per cent to 28.4million tonnes, compared with the corresponding period of last year. The Department of Energy August this year overall energy consumption fell by 6.6 per cent compared with the same period tion was down by 10.6 per cent

#### Technology role for minister is confirmed

By Kenneth Owen Technology Editor

Technology Editor
The Department of Industry has announced that Mr Adam-Butler is to be Minister of State with responsibility for information technology.
The department said: "Sir Keith Joseph, the Secretary of State for Industry, has decided upon a reallocation of minis-State for Industry, has better upon a reallocation of ministerial responsibility within the department to provide a single focus for all work on information technology. Mr Adam Butler, Minister of State will

undertake this role". Work on information tech-nology has been shared between the two departmental ministers of stare, Mr Butler and Lord Trenchard. Mr Butler was responsible for British Tele-communications and for the projected legislation to liberalze the existing telecommunica-

tions monopoly.

Lord Trenchard had responsibility for computer hardware and software, capital electronics equipment. consumer electronics and office automation. These responsibilities will no: be combined under Mr Butler's administration.

The change was foreshadowed last month in a report by the government's Advisory Council for Applied Research and Development (ACARD) which recommended that "one minister and government department should be responsible for coordination of government policies and actions on the promotion and developmen of information technology and its applications ".

Sir Keith has decided that responsibility for the usage of microelectronics is to remain ACARD view was that informa-tion technology was "perhaps the most important area of application of

tronics ". In exchange for relinquishing the other elements of information technology, Lord Trenchard is to take over responsibility for British Leyland from Mr Butler. He will advise Sir Keith on the BL corporate plan

mitted to the department. The world market for inforestimated to be about £50,000m. growing at 10 per cent a year. ACARD sees a significant British presence in this market as essential for future indusprovide many new jobs to replace those in declining indus-

tries. Getting the message across

# US indicator points to recovery

US Economics Correspondent

Washington, Oct 30 The composite index of leading indicators—an impor-tant guide to future American

economic trends—rose by 2.4 per cent in September after a 1.7 per cent advance in August. It has increased in each of the past four months, and the trend for the half year is similar to the one in 1975 when it pointed to sustained although sluggish recovery from reces-sion. The index stands at 133.6

The Department of Commerce noted that only two of the 10 components of the index registered declines in September, these being orders for plant and equipment and the money supply in constant 1972 GNP deflator leve dollars. The main reason for cent was forecast.

Wall Street

busy trading

The Dow Jones industrial

everage fell 11.43 points to

917.75 on the New York Stock

Exchange vesterday on trading

election hanging in the balance, there was little to stimulate

Proposals in the Canadian

budget to acquire up to 50 per cent of oil and gas production-

and some companies outright—caused a setback for oil and gas stocks.

One broker said of the Canadian measures: "The oils

have been the big winners in

the market and it got to them. I think it just demoralized the

The market drop brought the industrial average below 920, which had been considered a support level and there is now a feeling that the average could

drift down to 900.-AP-Dow

personal holding amounted to just over 1 per cent of Grand Met's equity capital.

Mr Stanley Grinstead, managing director of Grand Mer, has also sold 50,000 of his 116,000 shares, raising £83,000, which he said would be used for his personal financial and tax liabilities.

Mr Joseph, who made about flm from the disposal of his 540,000 shares, is believed to be using the funds to reduce his bank borrowings. Grand Met's results are due in January and the glosed season for

Mr Maxwell Joseph sells

10 pc of Grand Met shares

Mr Maxwell Joseph, the chairman of Grand Metropolitan, has sold 10 per cent of his six million shares in the hotels and brewing group. His personal holding amounted to just over 1 ---

buying.

trader.'

drops by 11

in manufacturing employment. Board added support to the re-covery trend suggested by the composite index by announcing that its help-wanted advertising index rose by 5 per cent in September to mark the largest

monthly gain this year.

This is a useful yardstick in measuring labour demand and it now stands at 122 (1967 equals 100), compared to levels of 154 in January and 167 one year ago year ago.

A Conference Board survey of senior financial executives

in large American companies found little optimism of a substantial economic recovery. Real gross national product in 1981 was seen as rising by no more than 1.3 per cent. Slight moderation in inflation to a GNP deflator level of 9.2 per

Dow Jones average—now at around 930—was likely to end 1980 at 956, average 987 in 1981 and 1,054 in 1982. Concern about the sustainability of the recovery has been voiced by some economists who have been studying in-flation prospects. Argus Research, in a new

The executives also suggested that the prime rate will fall to 11.3 per cent by the end of the year and average 10.76 per

cent next year. They said the

report, predicted today that the severe summer drought will lead to gains of 15 per cent in consumer food prices in 1981, compared to increases this year of 81 per cent. есолотіsts

Citicorp economists now believe that the fourth quarter economic growth, as indicated by today's composite index data, will be stronger than had been widely anticipated earlier.

**Prediction of still higher** 

From Frank Vogl

A leading Wall Street expert has predicted that the prime lending rates of the main American banks will reach 15.5 per cent by the end of the year. Mr John Paulus, an economist at Goldman Sachs and Com-

lower.

Maintaining a regular schedule would add to confi-

dence while any other strategy would simply add to the sub-stantial volatility already evident in the markets.

Mr Carswell amounced that total estimated net borrowing by the treasury would be \$25,300m (£10,300m) in the

# prime rates by year-end

Washington, Oct 30

in more than 39 million shares.

Analysts said that with interest rates expected to rise and the outcome of the Presidential election hanging in the balance of the prime to peak at 15.5 and then more One source of pressure in the

capital and money markets in coming weeks will be govern-ment borrowing. Mr Robert Carswell, Deputy Secretary of the Treasury, said that the treasury intended to maintain a consistent and regular financing pattern rather than chop and change strategies in line with market developments.

Mr Joseph could make £5m from this deal if the bid goes through, although the Giltspur board has so far rejected the offer. Grand Met recently withdrew its offer for Coral after

its referral to the Mono-polies Commission,

Meanwhile, Mr Joseph's other hotel group, Norfolk Capital, of which he is also chairman, has

# final 1980 quarter, with borrow-ing in the first 1981 quarter likely to range between \$18,000m and \$22,000m.

This latter estimate does not assume a tax cut that Congress may enact and which would increase borrowing require-Mr Carswell said that the

treasury was continuing with its three-pronged approach of raising cash through short-term and medium-term notes and

Next week the treasury will offer \$3,750m of 31-year notes, \$2,000m of 30-year bonds.

The treasury and the United States Budget Office released estimates of the budget deficit for the 1980 fiscal year which ended on September 30. Unemployment in the last couple of months was lower than fore-cast and that resulted in the deficit coming in \$2,000m below the estimate made by the White House in July. The deficit for the last fiscal year was \$59.000m.

United States Treasury tax re ceipts in the last fiscal year totalled \$520,000m, while gov-eroment spending amounted to \$579,000m.

Halfway

inquiry

time ago.

By Our Financial Staff

The Stock Exchange con-firmed last night that its disci-

plinary committee had finished the second of a four-stage in-

vestigation concerning Mr Keith Catchpole, senior dealer with

Henderson Crosthwaite, stock-brokers. A confidential hearing

relates to certain dealing matters which took place some

Stock Exchange inquiries fall into four stages. The first is a committee of inquiry which determines whether there is a case

to answer. It then moves to the SE's disciplinary committee after which the lawyer to the committee produces their find-

stage in SE

#### European banks offer money for home loans By Margaret Pagano

Two leading European banks the deputy chairman, said.

have joined forces to fill the Applications submitted to gap in the British mortgage brokers will be presented to a

funds. After proposals put for-Pays-Bas have undertaken to provide loan funds of £100m for the launch of Skandia Finan-

cial Services. Skandia Financial Services

market left by the recent credit committee for selection.

shortage of building society Mr Cohen, a former engineer. Mr Cohen, a former engineer, and Mr John Engestrom, his fellow director at Skandia Life. ward 18 months ago by two first came up with the idea on directors of Skandia UK In-surance, the Scandinavian Bank vices is based 18 months ago and the Banque de Paris et des and approached colleagues at

They then approached Mr Ronald Williams, treasurer and vice-president of the America Household Finance Corporation. Skandia Financial Services will provide the ordinary home buyer with mortgage facilities and offer commercial loans. The company and Skandia UK Insurance, its sister company, are both subsidiaries of the both subsidiaries of the Stockholm, one of the largest processing over 25 years insurance groups in northern The project is seen as an expension rinance corporation, who three months ago joined them as managing director. The chairman is Mr Harold Rieck. The company will offer residential mortgages up to £50,000 and commercial mortgages up to £200,000, with repayment periods ranging over 25 years. Stockholm, one of the largest insurance groups in northern Europe with assets of more than £2,600m.

The parent company will have a 60 per cent stake in the company, the Scandinavian bank will have 15 per cent and Banque de Paris et des Pays. Bas 25 per cent.

The interest rate on loans will be 15.5 per cent; and the Leeds and Manchester.

The interest rate on loans Southampton. Birmingham will be 15.5 per cent; and the loans will be linked to Skandia's

The Scandinavian bank, owner than the standinavian bank of the s

insurance policies. Anyone from by the leading banks in Scanding council tenants wishing to buy their own homes to accountants setting up a practice would be bank's assets exceed £20,000c.

#### Societies looking for a two point cut in MLR

#### By Margaret Stone re now increasing to eight (

Minimum lending rate would

have to drop at least two per-centage points before building centage points before building societies could contemplate a reduction in their interest rates, Sir Oliver Chesterton, chairman of the Woolwich Equitable Building Society, said yesterday. Sir Oliver pointed out that even after a cut in MLR had been made, there would be a wait of one or two months before building societies brought their rates down.

On the other hand, Sir Oliver

On the other hand, Sir Oliver had more optimistic views about the housing market. He said it was likely to show signs of Savings media "will natural recovery within the next six months and advised prospective the retail price which we have buyers to bring their purchase dates forward. Evidence of returning activity

buyers to bring their purchase dates forward.

Evidence of returning activity in the housing market is most noticeable not in house prices, which are not showing much hypers to bring the which we first to pay, and therefore have charge, for money ".

There would probably longer queues for morigan next year, and he advised house hypers to be a second or the probably longer queues for morigan next year, and he advised house hypers to be a second or the probably longer queues for morigan next year, and he advised house hypers to be a second or the probably longer queues for more probably longer queues which are not showing much change at the moment, but in the slight lengthening of mort-

huv the Government's inde-linked "granny bonds" admi-ted he was not going to buy to new issue which goes on sa-on November 17 because 1 believed inflation would condown. But he acknowledge that others would, although I felt that the impact on societiis likely to be short, if sweet". He gare warning howeve

that any further extension index-linking or any other aggressive use of Nation Savings media "will natural have the effect of forcing the retail price which we have

hunters to take advantage the present "buyer's market." A recovery in the housi age queues. In parts of the market could cause mortga queues to lengthen beyond t is a big lender, six-week queues present six weeks.

#### which he is also chairman, has seen a strong upward price movement recently, rising from 35p to 44p and providing speculation that a takeover bid may also be on the way for it. Mr Joseph owns 3.7 million of the 19 million shares. Last year Norfolk made pretax profits of £914,000 on £8.6m turnover. Earlier this month it sold its subsidiary, Bristol and West Hotel for £1m to M. P. Kent to reduce berrow. ings and a judgment. The subject of the inquiry then has seven days in which to lodge an appeal which would be heard by the Appeals Committee. The procedure finally moves to the full Council of the Stock Exchange for decision. Although unions ecognize that this is partly the result of the strong pound, they also allege failue by the Commission to apply the Gatt arrangement uary and the closed season for directors dealings under the Stock Exchange's guidlines, starts in about two weeks. the yesterday acquired British textile unions said they complained to the Comission Assurance, bringing its interest to 5.005 per cent, to M. P. Kent to reduce berrowings and raise funds for capital Earlier this week it emerged that Mr Joseph would also be Textiles competition, page 16 willing to sell his 23 per cent PRICE CHANGES

#### Imp Cont Gas-lardine M'son Lasmo Owen Owen Standard Tel 13p to 343p 29p to 256p 18p to 882p 7p to 123p 15p to 493p otropic 17 to 31p Gold Fields 10p to 661p taulds 10p to 662 leers Old 9p to 510p me Hidgs 3p to 34p 7p to 348p 7p to 353p 35p to 708p 5p to 168p 5p to 585p Istin 50 to 260 lays Bank 7p to 4709 c Grp 5p 10 83p later Corp 6p to 176p loo Viy 1p to 11p THE POUND Bank bmrs 2,12 34,00 76,50 2,92 14,64 9,52 10,93 4,77 117,00 12,56 1,26 2,10,00 535,00 Gid 5,15 sells 2.05 32.15 72.60 2.84 14.84 19.87 10.69 110.69 1.22 2170.00 512.00 11.95 121.00 2.06 178.00 Norway Kr 12.50 Portugal Esc 127.00 South Africa Rd 2.20 Spain Pia 185.00 Sweden Kr 10.70 Switzerland Fr 4.30 USA 5 2.50 Yugoslavia Dar 81.50

#### BL workers vote for strike over 6.8 pc offer "The paltry offer of 6.8 per

workers, led to speculation that if they decide to take unilateral action other plants will be forced to stop production. Shop stewards at both have said that they will accept the overall result but there are fears that the extent of the shopfloor support for a strike in their plants could force them

Alec Smith: European Commission "deliberately com-

ian suits in Britain. These were being sold at £7.50 each when the wool content alone was worth £15. But Brussels had

In Britain, some 70,000 jobs

have been lost in the textile and clothing industries since the start of the year, mainly because of cheap imports.

taken no action.

in their plants could force them to change their minds. Among the major plants which voted against a strike were Rover and Land-Rover at Solihull, two Rover feeder plants in Birmingham, and laguar Coventry and its Castle Bromwich body plant

Mr Hawley, who leads the union side of BL Cars' joint negotiating committee said: "The voting at the major plants is a complete rejection of the company's offer and clearly shows the great resentment felt by

cent coming after 5 per cent for each of the previous two years has poisoned the relation-ship between the shopfloor and

Yesterday's meeting of 10.000

Loughridge workers was a per-sonal triumph for Mr Jack Adams, who replaced Mr Derek Robinson as convener and chairman of the unofficial combined shop stewards' committee after the company's dis-missal of Mr Robinson in February.

Mr Adams said that since last autumn BL workers had lost purchasing power worth £26 a week. He accused the management of pursuing a

Yesterday's pay message from BL workers at Longbridge. "public showpiece policy" car made possible by workers'

resulting from Government cooperation, and their effort pressure. deserved something better than



#### Mission pushes UK trade in Zimbabwe

a 20 man trade mission from Birmincham has been championing British industry this week during a visit to Zimbabwe.

flation is coming down. More and more factories in Britain large and small are going over to new and more automated plant machinery."

Mr Purnell said there were too many prophets of doom among the international press who were painting a distorted picture of the Zimbabwean economy, as they had done of the Britis heconomy. "Their emphasis always seemed to be what was going wrong instead of looking at positive develop-

#### Record car exports

Japanese motor vehicle exports in September rose 10.2 per cent to 516,289 from 468,400 in August and 29.4 per cent from 399.086 a year earlier, the Japan Automobile Manufact-urers Association said in Tokyo. The September total, a record for the month, comprised 245,787 passenger cars, 163,708 trucks and 5,794 buses.

#### True price of coal Prices paid for Australian coal

should more accurately reflect its true international value as an oil alternative. Mr Jim Kirk, Esso Australia chairman and managing director said in Melhourne. He told a conference on investment opportunities that coal prices were mainly based on a cost-plus calculation.

#### Finland will stop making tele-vision colour tubes at the end

of the year after losses of more than \$100m (about £24m) in three years of manufacturing in cooperation with was Hitachi, according to a statesubsidiary Finnvalco.

#### Price rise steadies

y, o. he "B" index stood at 164 to rior gainst last month's 163.

#### uals Early retirement plan

at il Automobiles Peugeot SA is arati spected to put a plan to trade nd timions on November 3, calling taxe or voluntary early retirement g 50 br 2,500 of its 65,000 workers, any a mion sources said in Paris. ge this eugeot plans to meet the p be nion's central works committee of a p that day but will not dispetal, lose the agenda.

pear anctions imposed against the re to viet Union. He spoke after on thiports that West German 1 that aders had soid 500.000 tonnes iddle grain-based animal feed-hat thuffs to the Soviet Union.

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a statement from Bonn. The sociation disagrees with the rumn report of the five leada German economic institutes, ued earlier this week.

#### conte viss expansion

ip lu The Swiss National Bank will Ps h abably set a target for expan-law a of the monetary basis again to st. 1981. Mr Fritz Leutwiler, the ought ak president said in Berne. y th ch a target would not diverge nent tch from that of about 4 per preter at set for this year, he added.

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n a la he Indian Government anthen need in New Delhi that it is a set up a high level inter-shado isterial group to negotiate e idea im collaboration for buil-iper w a steel plant in the eastern of Orissa. Some British West German companies to reduce its costs by 10 per expressed interest in the cent for every ship it built next

#### Collaboration with Canadians denied as UK industry faces cutbacks

## Finns discount newsprint price fears

Leaders of Finland's paper industry have refuted suggestions from British printing unions that the continued rundown of newsprint production in the United Kingdom would allow foreign suppliers jointly to force up prices.

Equally strong views are held in Fin-land, however, that some British news-papers could afford to pay more for their newsprint and that price rises will be sought next year to cover the rapidly increasing costs of Finnish mills. Mr Carl-Christian Rosenbroijer, vice-

chairman of the board of Finopap, the sales association for 18 Finnish paper companies, said it was association policy that the Finns would not collaborate with the Canadians—who traditionally have set the pace in Britain—on prices. It has been alleged in the past that during their annual meetings Nordic and

Canadian papermakers have come agreement on future pricing policies. Mr Rosenbroijer said that this was not the case; such action would be against North American anti-cartel regulations.

Finnpap, the world's largest paper exporter, is itself currently involved in an investigation by the European Commission into the sales methods of the Nordic newsprint producers. Officials in Brussels are studying the manufacturers' present sys-tem of channelling EEC sales through

Concern has arisen in Britain after the decision by Bowater to cut 1,600 jobs and close its big newsprint operation in Ellesmere Port, Cheshire, which has an annual capacity of 180,000 tonnes and the decision by Reed Paper & Board to shed 700 workers at Aylesford, Kent, and close a newsprint machine with a capacity of newsprint machine with a capacity of 45,000 tonnes. The cuts will reduce newsprint production in the United Kingdom

by more than 64 per cent. Mr Rosenbroijer said: "I don't think the Bowater closure will in itself have any impact on price levels." The Scandinavians and North Americans had been by far the major suppliers to Britain for many years and would continue to be so. Prices paid by British newspapers were lower than anywhere in Europe "and surely this would not be the case if we had collaborated with the Canadians."

In a document published earlier this month, the British printing trade union, the Society of Graphical and Allied Trades (Sogat) said that closures by Bowater and Reed would leave newspapers wholly de-pendent upon foreign suppliers "who will then combine to force up prices". The balance of payments would suffer and newspapers would become more vulnerable to the effects of dock strikes or shipping

Because of a longstanding and Canadian-inspired currency agreement in British contracts for imported newsprint, the paper, which is priced in dollars, is being sold to newspapers in the United Kingdom at what amounts to a substantial discount

at what amounts to a substantial discount. The current price for the standard 48.8 gramme, grade charged by all the importers is the equivalent of £270 per toune at the agreed exchange rate of \$2.15. But the strength of sterling means that the actual price paid by newspapers is about £233.

Mr Rosenbroijer said that, like Bowater and Reed, the Finns were facing much higher energy and wood costs than the Canadians and the currency adjustment created instability that was uncontrollable

by both suppliers and users.
"Clearly some British newspapers have been doing well and easily could pay more. Others obviously would be unable to afford more. But the pressure from energy costs will not lessen and there will be a growing

need to recover cost increases."

Last year Finaland exported 788,000 tonnes of paper to the United Kingdom, its biggest single market. Of that rotal, 374,000 tonnes was newsprint and it amounted to more than a third of news-· papers' requirements.

Edward Townsend

## competition urged in place of protection

Managing Correspondent

Government policies would be better directed if they helped clothing manufacturers to become more competitive instead of protecting them against im-ports, according to a report by the Consumers' Association published yesterday. At the very least there should be some analysis of likely consequential costs before tighter import controls are introduced.

A swift retaliation describing highly selective, came from Mr Alec Smith, the general secre-tary of the National Union of Tailors and Garment Workers.

"Instead of tilting rather poorly at windmills, the Consumers' Association would be better advised to investigate why many of the 25 million shirts imported from Hongkong last year at an average landed price of less than £1.70 ended up in the shops selling at as much as £10. Such imports destroy jobs in Britain, fleece the consumer and are of little benefit to the exploited workers overseas", he.

Mr Ian MacArthur, director of the British Textile Con-federation, said that the objective the industry was seeking in renewing the Multi Fibre Arrangement must be set in a

wider context. Speaking to the Irish Textiles Federation, he asked the United States, Canada, South Africa and Australia to accept more imports. "We have now reached a point where the EEC can no longer go it alone in

can no longer go it alone in accepting ever increasing imports in a declining market. British textile producers are also pleading for an easing of imports from the United States which they say are based on a weak dollar and unfair energy. It concludes: "A more economics of the concludes of the clothing industry is socially and politically macceptable to the also pleading for an easing of imports from the United States. It concludes: "A more economics of the critical accordance in the clothing industry is socially and politically macceptable to the clothing industry is socially and politically macceptable to the cally macceptable to the along the clothing industry is socially and politically macceptable to the also pleading for an easing of industry is socially and politically macceptable to the also pleading for an easing of industry is socially and politically macceptable to the also pleading for an easing of industry is socially and politically macceptable to the also pleading for an easing of industry is socially unacceptable to the also pleading for an easing of industry is socially unacceptable to the also pleading for an easing of industry is socially unacceptable to the also pleading for an easing of industry is socially unacceptable to the also pleading for an easing of industry is socially and politically unacceptable to the also pleading for an easing of industry is socially and politically unacceptable to the also pleading for an easing of industry is socially and politically unacceptable to the also pleading for an easing of industry is socially and politically unacceptable to the also pleading for an easing of industry is socially and politically unacceptable to the also pleading for an easing of industry is socially and politically unacceptable to the also pleading for an easing of industry is socially and politically unacceptable to the also pleading for an easing of industry is socially and politically unacceptable to the also pleading for an easing of industry is socially and politically unacce

"We must impress on our American friends that if there is no response by way of a voluntary trading understanding it will be necessary for the community to use every power it has under the Multi Fibre Arrangement and the General

growing threat to the orderly conduct of international trade

in textiles and clothing". The Consumers' Association says that protection against imports would at best merely delay inevitable job shedding in the British clothing industry and could result in jobs being lost in other industries. It accuses British manufacturers of failing to take advantage of favourable sterling exchange rates of the 1970s.

The report is also sceptical about whether more stringent controls on low cost imports would offer a solution to job loss and declining output. Urging the Government to

estimate the costs of import controls, the association says it would be "extremely imprudent for policy makers, in aiming to satisfy the vocal textile and clothing lobby, to risk inflicting substantial damage to our export trade with developing countries". It lists three companies

whose products were directly affected by Indonesian retaliation to import quotas on shirts, blouses and trousers. These are Mabey & Johnson (steel bridges), British Leyland (buses) and British Aerospace

(passenger aircraft).
Mr B. G. Mabey, chairman of Mabey & Johnson said in a letter to The Times earlier this month that the Indonesian quotas cost United Kingdom exporters more than £80m worth of business this year with the prospect of losing a fur-ther £80m.

nomically rational strategy would be to release resources would be to release resources to alleviate shortages of skilled workers and capital in sectors where demand is likely to grow. Such a move would be in the best interests of consumers. has under the Multi Fibre workers in these industries and Arrangement and the General the economic prosperity of the Agreement on Tariffs and community as a whole."

#### Managers 'must adjust'

By Our Management Correspondent

British managers must adjust to change and do so quickly, Mr Trevor Holdsworth, chairman of the British Institute of Management, says in an interview in the institute's quarterly digest.

Mr Holdsworth, who is chairman of the GKN Group, said: "We tend to want to preserve everything but clearly we cannot. We have to concentrate our efforts on those things we are good at, and new technology; our future must depend upon our ability to sell our products and services in world markets."

Regarding BIM's role in representing management at all levels, Mr Holdsworth said that he would like to see an eco-

nomic forum tried out.
"I think it would be useful, particularly now, if we could get away from the old style of always ending up with a wages norm, and have a real debate about all the elements and un-certainties affecting fundamental economic decisions of that

"An economic forum would probably help to develop a better kind of thinking and a sense of involvement and responsibility."

#### Aid to textile industry | Chemicals rivals press claims for gas liquids

Industrial Editor
Ministers are racing mounting pressure from oil companies to agree that natural gas liquids, brought ashore from the pro-posed £1,100m gas gathering pipeline, should be channelled to their existing petrochemical

olants. Senior officials from Esso Chemicals, Shell Chemicals, BP Chemicals and ICI bave made a detailed presentation to Mr David Howell, the Secretary of State for Energy, and other ministers, including Sir Keith Joseph, the Secretary of State for Industry, and Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland

The chemicals companies believe that their existing plants could use the large volume of natural gas liquids, especially ethane, much earlier than plants planned by rival groups, with maximum benefit to the petro-chemical industry and to the economy generally.

The rival schemes involve a proposed Dow Chemicals petrochemical plant at Nigg Bay, on the Cromarty Firth, and a pro-ject by the United Kingdomin the Nigg area, the outcome of which is expected next week. Roch companies have also laid claim to part of the natural

gas liquids which would be used in a new plant at Nagg to produce ethylene, one of the petrochemical industry's most important products. Other companies aiready established in the United Kingdom say, however, that it would be easier, quicker, more economic for themselves and less costly to the Govern-ment for them to be allowed to pipe the gas liquids farther south to their facilities.

Dow unveiled its plans earlier this month, which involve the building of a £400m complex. This, the company says, would provide much-needed jobs in an area of high unemploymen Another contender for at least a part of the gas liquids to be a part of the gas inquids to be piped ashore from the new gas gathering pipeline would be Occidental, which has plans to build another facility on the Scottish coast at Peterhead.

A further possible complication is the British National Oil Corporation which may shak to

Corporation, which may seek to use its share of natural gas ject by the United Kingdom liquids to press for a stake in based Highland Hydrocarbons. the petrochemicals industry Both companies have made only the approval of Mr Howell bids for a vital piece of land but also a change in legislation.

#### Directors attack CBI call for big cut in interest rate

By Patricia Tisdell Management Correspondent

An attack on the Confedera-tion of British Industry's call for an immediate 4 percentage point reduction in the minimum lending rate was made by Mr Walter Goldsmith, director general of the Institute of Directors last night.

Mr Goldsmith said "anv reversal of the Government's policy of monetary restraint would once again fuel inflation and seriously hinder the suc-cess of its whole economic strategy".

Mr Goldsmith who repre-sents about 30,000 businessmen accused Sir Terence Beckett, the director general of the CBI (whose members represent companies and trade associations) of suggesting a "grossly irre-sponsible gamble" in asking for

an immediate 4 percentage point cut in MLR. Mr Goldsmith who was speaking at a meeting of the Hampshire branch of the insti-tute in Southampton said: "It would be all too easy to support the 4 percentage point cut in MLR as a short term assistance to our members. But it would be a disaster if the sacrifices already made, the redundancies and the closures had been in

He echoed the arguments of the Prime Minister and senior Treasury ministers made to industrialists. "MLR must and will fall to a level more acceptable to business, but only in

vain ?

borrowing. It must be a slow and a gradual process." He also voiced private reser-

vations felt by many economists about the likely effect a drop in interest rates would have on "It is false to assume a large reduction in MLR will be accompanied by a sharp fall in the value of the pound.

tionary policies, and any advantionary policies, and any advan-tage in competitiveness would be offset by increased inflation. "The high value of the pound primarily results from sterling's position as a petro-currency. We cannot cap our oil wells, nor should we."

The textiles industry yester day joined in these pleas. A telegram urging "an early and substantial cut" in the MLR was sent to the Prime Minister from the annual meeting of Registered Wool Producers at Bradford. Bradford.

The British Textile Confederation has sent a written request to the Government asking it to help the industry out of its worst crisis since the 1930s by cutting interest rates and curbing imports from the

#### judgments in which he said that "a prime function of the registrar" is to uphold and protect members rights "so far as his powers allow". Perhaps the time has come to regist the time has come to review these powers in the light of the way some societies operate. There is something

"Any fall in sterling's value would result from a decline of foreign confidence in the United Kingdom's anti-infla-

United States.

Mr Goldsmith, meanwhile called on business "not to over-react" in pressurizing the Government to revise its monetary

Thorn EMI has a leading role in two of three new com-panies which have been formed jointly with General Electric (USA) and Matsushita and JVC of Japan to launch high-

The four companies are collaborating to launch Video High Density (VHD) systems in both the United States and Europe towards the end of

The three new companies are VHD Programs, a programme distribution and artistic production company: VHD Disc Manufacturing (which will manufacture video discs); and VHD Electronics, which will manufacture video disc players. Thorn EMI, bas a 37½ per cent

stake in each of the first two of these companies and will have responsibility for management of the businesses, Mr Gary Darmail, formerly president of EMI Videograms and a long-time film and television executive with EML, is president and chief executive of both com-

Mr Peter Laister, group managing director of Thorn EMI, said in New York yestercessiul product.

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Sir, Why, do we bother to turn the clocks back by one hour at this time of the year? There seem to be so many negative aspects to this policy.

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Another, and most important

dimension to this time change is that Britain is now one hour

behind most of the Continent. For one who works in an inter-

national company, with an emphasis on exporting from the

United Kingdom to the Continent, this is most discouraging.
For example, our German

office has to wait two hours before they can ring us each morning (they start at eight, which is quite common in Germany). This only feeds the prejudice that the British are slow

From Mr R. J. Crooke

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The benefit of a covenant is that an income of, say, £1,000 per year can be passed to a the repayments required under the loans provided by the British Government for the purchase of the ships. A full inquiry needs to be recipient who is not hable to. tax, by the donor paying out only £700 in cash each year. The 1300 per year which the donor is treated as baving deducted, A full inquiry needs to be conducted into this whole sor, and which the recipion and which the recipion and did affair at which all the facts reclaim is an amount of tax which the donor would have had whole deal can be publicly distributed by the Revenue in any event if he had not made the covenant. The result is that, by covenant. The result is that, by spending an additional £700, he can effectively channel £1,000 to the recipient Covenants made by parents in favour of their unmarried children who are under 18 do not have this effect. A recent court ruling, howlem for anyone making a coven-

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and always behind the Continent. Secondly, it is tough on those British expour sales people who travel frequently to the Continent. Customer insectings at 8 am translate to a 6 am (or earlier) start for the bodyclock of the visitor. Clearly this pure him at an immecessary disadvantage.

Overall, these considerations and more (for example fewer traffic incidents) would justify the Government synchronizing of the above cases is likely to be treated as the investment income of the door and wil-attract the 15 percent surcharge the Government synchronizing its clocks with its EEC partners. Will they please harmonize with Many tax experts are very Coatinental time in 1981. It mhappy about this court ruling believe we will all gain from and are disappointed that the this change and save a lot of raxpayer is not likely to appeal unnecessary bother and confu. Unless the Inland Revenue issue aton (as will the airline time; some practice statement or confushed allowers.) Indeed extra costing it seems the precious table planners). Indeed, extra cession, it seems this surcharge daylight time can only make us will be imposed at least only make us will be imposed at least only more optimistic psychologically a new case is taken to the and enrich our lives.

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#### Building society members' interests the membership of individual accumulated... Prom Mr B. Marshall

R. J. CROOKE,

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Sir, Mr. Paul Twyman's article on members' rights in building societies (October 21) referred to the role of the Chief Regis-trar of Friendly Societies and quoted from one of his recent the societies accounts), and that allows directors to co-opt other directors and to determine the size of the board without reference to members, so that a small self-perpetuating group can maintain themselves

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the membership of individual accumulated that buildin shareholders without giving any society directorships do not reasons, that allows them to necessarily act in the interest circularize messages in support of the membership as a whole of their colleagues who are the Grays Society being the candidates in elections for most notorious example.

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He said the message he wanted to put was that Britain could deliver the goods. "One of the effects of the recession back home has been the streamlining of the workforce, which now allows us to give firm delivery dates, and companies intend sticking to them," he

He added: "Furthermore, productivity is rising while in-

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# prices with British Shipbuilders

between Britain's marine equipment, and wherever possible buys ment industry and the State-owned British Shipbuilders after claims made by Mr Robert Atkinson, chairman of the company, that it could save the company, that it could save expects United Kingdom com-£60m a year by buying its panies to compete on commer-equipmen and auxiliaries from cial terms, to meet performance

overseas companies. Earlier this week he repeated his claim that the marine equipment industry was wax-ing fat on the strength of the shipbuilding corporation. His comments followed a tough warning issued at a

meeting earlier this month with leading company represent-atives in the supply industry. Mr Atkinson's views have produced a storm of adverse reaction from member com-panies of the British Marine Equipment Council, whose ex-ecutive committee has requested an urgent meeting with British Shipbuilders to discuss the issue. That meeting is expected to take place at the beginning of next week. Suppliers have been told by

Mr Atkinson that the company

would be much more searching

and ruthless in its purchasing policy than in the past, and

he said the company intended

Industrial Editor between £500m.£600m a year
A dispute has broken out on materials and equipment,

Mr Atkinson, however, has stressed to the suppliers that he expects United Kingdom comspecifications, to provide prompt deliveries and back-up service. He has described the increases in the cost of imported

equipment and passed on to the company as "quite unaccept-able" and said that quotations obtained from overseas suppliers for a wide range of equipment suggested that British Shipbuilders could make savings of between 25 and 45 per cent. Overall savings that the company could make from buying

abroad would amount to £60m a year, equivalent to half the loss made by the industry last Mr Atkinson gave warning to suppliers that if proof emerged that companies were quoting lower prices to a foreign yard than to the company the future relationsship between that com-pany and British Shipbuilders

us business, causing us losses. You are being feather-bedded



by British Shipbuilders", he The BMEC is angry because it considers the criticism unfair

and claims that it has not so far

had an opportunity to put its case comprehensively to British

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Shipbuilders. A spokesman for the BMEC noted that the industry supplied a large proportion of its output to foreign yards and was clearly would be jeopardized. to foreign yards and was clearly Your high prices are losing competitive despite the prob competitive despite the prob day that he was confident that lems caused to exporters by the the VHD system would be a sucstrength of sterling.

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#### BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

## Coats Paton waits on sterling

Coats Paron's strength overseas where it makes most of its profits is proving a mixed plessing. For while it escapes much of the icious demestic recession in textiles, over-eas earnings are steadily eroded by the trengthening pound. Ignoring the inevitble depreciation of soft currencies, ex-hange movements clipped £3m from half ear trading profits which would otherwise ave risen slightly, but in the event fell J. Hepworth 2.4m to 130.2m. After interest charges up v half to £6.6m, pretax profits were down rom £31.0m to £26.7m.

Trading in the United Kingdom has been redictably tough. The hand knitting operaons are undergoing surgery and al-gether 3,000 of the home workforce will ave gone by the year end. But much more aportant in profit terms, both continental urope and North America have mainined volumes and managed to push prices read while Latin America has had a

Coats Paton expects no further increase interest charges in the second half and similar trading pattern to the first half is

In addition there will be a bumper crop property disposal profits in the de-essed United Kingdom—perhaps as much



William Henry, chairman of Coats Paton.

10m compared with £3.3m in 1979. So. year's profit should be close to 1979's

:cluding property sales, the fully-taxed ratio is about 7.6 and the yield on a tained dividend is 10 per cent at 564p. its relatively stable thread business strong balance sheet Coats is a sound for those prepared to wait patiently he upturn in the cycle. But sterling ins the joker in the pack and any big ment either way would have an imate impact on Coats's profits.

ncial services

#### en season foreigners

y a week now seems to pass without er overseas financial institution thinkar the British market is paved with So far it has been the big United banks, with their long experience in sale hanking here, that have been in nguard. But yesterday two European decided to join in the game, linking ch the huge Swedish insurance group a to provide mortgages to United

im borrowers, surely becoming one most counted groups in this country. -idia, which is presumably also looking insurance pickings from granting nent mortgages, will retain 60 per

the new company with 25 per cent led by Banque de Paris and des Paysid the rest owned by Scandinavian the London-based consortium bank he the major Scandinavian banks. the clearing banks already nibbling t the upper end of the mortgage busind a number of United States and an banks muscling in in the middle not to mention the Trustee Savings now eagerly trying to extend its ons, the real question so far as Skanconcerned is whether it will be able

borrowers for the £100m it plans over the next five years. in British retail banking five years e proliferation of overseas financial sions trying to get a share of the . nay well lead to a saturated market, ready Security Pacific for example

to rethink its strategy. here is no doubt that retail banking icular is very attractive at the curel of interest rates while there are cantages of a retail base for United nd other foreign banks arising from k of England's thoughts on liquidity hough they are now being modified following bankers' criticisms still seem

likely to penalize wholesale deposits. At the very least all this activity on the retail front is beginning to wake up the clearing banks who have been introducing new savings accounts as if there was no tomorrow. to, secure a larger share of deposits in this country.

#### Ahead of the game

The opening of the menswear retailing results season, got off to a shaky start with the rationalization of the John Collier and Alexandre shops owned by United Drapery Stores and the suspicion that J. Hepworth figures, showing a 13 per cent fall in profits for the year, may be the best of the bunch after various rumours about Burton's showing when it produces figures in three

While UDS decided to close 75 shops to bring its retail outlets closer into line with its manufacturing capacity which now operates from a single factory, Hepworth embarked on and completed that rationalization a year ago. But despite this foresight of a colder trading climate the group was not immune to the second half setbacks which will dog the rest of the trade. Pretax profits fell from £6.6m to £5.7m while turnover rose by 20 per cent to £62m in the year to August.

But the real damage came in the last six

months when there was no help from a pre-VAT spending boom or the tax rebates that boosted last year. Profits slipped by more than 20 per cent in that period and the £391,000 contribution from W. and E. Turner, the footwear acquisition which came in for four months, was also disappointing considering that its £9m purchase helped to push up Hepworth's interest charge by £1m to £1.5m.

With prospects for the current year so far looking no more hopeful, the market's reaction which added 3p to the share price at 99p shows a definite belief that British Land will cease to regard its near 5 per cent stake as a pure investment particularly in the light of its canny timing over Dorothy Perkins and Hepworth's high street dominance. However a recent property revaluation puts Hepworth net asset value at 160p so there are probably cheaper property buys in the retail sector.

William Press

#### Shortage of

William Press is clearly heading for another sticky year. The interim pretax profits of E3.2m are about £1.5m below those for last year, though they are a noticeable improve-ment on the second half of 1979. While the aiverse nature of the compa iy's contracting business makes forecasts difficult, it seems unlikely that the company will than match 1979's £6.63m.

The main current problems of short term contracting but which the company warned six and which shows no sign of abatightness of the business can be from the fact that while profits were by some 32 per cent, turnover rose to per cent to £122m.

The collapse in post tax profits is even more noticeable. At £137m they are half fast year's. The main culprit is a higher tax charge of £1.34m against £1.18m brought about by a sharp fall from £462,000 to £125,000 in the amount of estimated deferred tax.

Despite an order book of around £40m. which should maintain turnover, William Press is being forced into substantial reorganization. Contracting in the south of England has been rationalized so that different activities such as distribution and mechani cal engineering operate from one regional centre. But rationalization is not without its cost. So far this year £281,000 has been spent, and a further £2.2m could be

required before the year's end. The company is pinning its hopes on long-term demand from the British energy sector, particularly the North Sea, and on overseas contracting work such as the contract to lay mains gas pipes in Cairo. But shareholders will be fortunate if the com pany does better than hold the final divi-

dend at the interim of 0.86p gross.

At last night's unchanged price of 291p, the shares would then yield 5.8 per cent. On that rating they look fully valued, particularly in view of the uncertainty over the Inland Revenue's prosecution.

#### Technology

## Information: getting the message across

This week has seen Newport confirmed by Inmos as the site for its first United Kingdom factory and the Government

kingdom factory and the Covernment give information technology a single Minister of State within the Department of Industry (Dol).

It is good that the National Enterprise Board's semiconductor company has finally been allowed to get moving with the United Kingdom part of the Angle American are discovered. its Anglo-American production pro-gramme; and the Government's ministerial decision is welcome also.

But how effectively are the Govern-ment and Whitehall guiding the nation's advance into the new world of information "technology? Are they ready, willing, and able to do what has to be done? To what extent is the ministerial appointment a belated admission that we have got it wrong up.

Information technology electronics, - computing, information handling and telecommunications. The phrase is clearly respectable in White-half since there is now a Dol division of that name and an interdepartmental committee deliberating on the same

Thus the Whitehall machine was Thus the Whitehall machine was already moving towards a more streamlined organization when the Government's Advisory Committee for Applied Research and Development (Acard) published its report on information technology last month. The report called for a single focus for information technology within government, in order to ensure that the subject received adequate attention and that its development was not inhibited through conflicting policies. The Department of Industry now has this focal responsibility. But a streamlined Whitehall organization is clearly not enough. It is necessary, but in itself it is not sufficient.

Several things need to be done and, with an eye on developments in certain other countries, they need to be done soon. National objectives will need to be established; these could form the basis of policies and priorities.

Outside government, there is little if any commitment at present from large users of information technology to assist the British information technology industry to develop its skills. There is little evident awareness of the dramatic changes which new technology is forcing on all sectors of industry. (To be precise, it is the adoption of the new technologies by competitors in other countries that is doing the forcing.) And, nationally, there is

a need to exploit opportunities overseas Mr Adam Butler, as the new Minister of State for Information Technology, will have to make an early commitment to a positive, active role if the recent organizational changes are to have any real meaning. Some funding will be required—not the hundreds of millions of pounds that tend to be needed by BL. British Steel and British Ship-builders, but £4m or £5m could achieve

For Mr Reav Atkinson's Information Technology Division at the Dol. the broad objectives will need to be defined by about the end of this year. Then the task for the division will be four-fold: to identify key elements in the

information technology industry and apply appropriate financial support; devise a coherent pattern of research and development; bring users and

and development; bring users and suppliers together on a number of important demonstration projects; and promote the activities of the industry in overseas markets.

Much of what the Department of Industry will be trying to do has been underlined in the Acard report, which paid particular attention to the policies of other countries.

The governments of France West

The governments of France. West Germany and Japan are providing substantial direct financial support for information technology. Acard points out, by assisting research and develop-ment and/or financing large-scale demonstration projects.
They justify this on economic, tech-

nological and strategic grounds. A competitive national industry in growing world markets brings evident bene-fits in employment and incomes; information-technology companies gen-erate technology which can be trans-ferred to other industries; and because national life increasingly depends on computers it can be argued that each country should have its own computer industry. As an example, Acard describes the

situation in France, where the government have attached a high priority to information technology or telematique.

Several highly publicized projects have been initiated there to stimulate awareness of information technology, to provide the incentive and the funds for industrial development and to create the image overseas of French forward thinking and competence in

telecommunications and computing.
One project, heginning in 1981, will provide cheap video terminals in place of telephone directories to 250,000 households in a region, with the eventual intention of eliminating telephone directories throughout France. It is argued that the computer system will be cheaper and that it will have other

applications. A second project will link telephone subscribers in Biarritz by optical fibres, enabling video telephone and private television services to be dis-tributed. Further projects include a French equivalent of the British Post Office's Prestel service, a nationwide data network, a national communica-tion satellite and a large programme

to introduce computers into schools.

Looking to overseas opportunities, both France and Japan have govern-ment-funded organizations which aim to spread their national technologies into developing countries. In Britain, not only is our record not very good i overseas markers but, as recent events have underlined, we have a chronic aversion to change at home.

Mr Butler, in his new role, need look no further than his own depart. ment for a particularly piquant example. Last March Mr David Mit-chell, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Industry, announced proudly that the Dol would introduce an experimental departmental viewdata system. This introduction is proving a very slow and tedious process, such is the general opposition of the Civil Service trade unions to new technology

Kenneth Owen

## 5,000 US companies have introduced rehabilitation programmes. Anthony Hilton reports

## Facing up to the drink problem

New York

An estimated 10 million working adult Americans, equiva-lent to 7 per cent of the labour force, have drinking problems, according to the National Asso-ciation of Alcoholism and Alcohol Abuse in its last report to Congress. The report put the cost to the country at \$43,000m a year (about \$20,000m) with about \$20,000m in lost production, \$13,000m in health care costs and the remainder caused by crime, accidents and strains on social services.

That report was based on 1978 information; another is due in a few months. Meanwhile, a more recent estimate by the Institute of Medicine puts the cost even higher-at \$60,000m. The detailed figures are open

to challenge, but the existence of the underlying problem is not. It is now accepted in the United States that between 6 and 10 per cent of the work-force is either alcoholic or has a drinking problem. Governpeople are 25 per cent less productive than normal employees, which means that companies lose up to 24 per cent of their payroll—the equivalent of \$20,000m a year.

Until 1970 the problem was ignored by industry, but the last decade has seen the large-scale introduction of policies designed to combat it. Today 5,000 mainly of the larger companies and some government agencies have employee assistance programmes, which try to identify people with a drink problem early, force them to face up to their problem and, it is hoped, take a cure.

One of the pioneers, International Telephone and Telegraph, has 140,000 North American employees and, at any one time, roughly 3,000 people who are taking a course of up to two years. Firestone, the tyre com-pany, though much smaller, treated 3,000 in the first six years of its scheme.

Reynolds Metal, with 28,000 employees, has bad 2,000 cases in six years and is adding about 50 a month, although a propor-tion of these are members of employees's families. Union Pacific, the railway company, says that in 10 years it has treated one in 10 of its payroll.

bolics" might have on sales.
But today Ford and General
Motors will happily discuss
their programmes and Mr Jim
White today Ford and General
Motors will happily discuss
the bint. One large corporation, Wrich in United Airlines' medical department, talks with justifiable pride of the 90 per cent success rate the company has curing pilots with a drink problem:

Though alcoholism is now talked about openly this can-dour has its limits. Companies are by and large reluctant to discuss the associated problem of drug abuse though it is potentially as serious. Because the babit is illegal, figures are much harder to come by, but one of the few to face the issue, Professor Ken Jennings, of the University of Northern Florida, estimates that 2 per cent of the workforce are prob-ably regular drug users and may he the cause of many of the disciplinary problems on the factory floor.

Professor Jennings caused a stir a few years ago by pointing out that there were 60,000 heroin addicts below the age of Clearly, then, the problem is 25 in New York City, which was Management's change of one in ten of that segment of heart has been the more drama, the labour force. He went on to the when one recalls that until suggest that companies should the labour force. He went on to recently they were terrified of be far more concerned than bad publicity and the impact they appear to be about the that their employing "alcotheft of property or the sale of

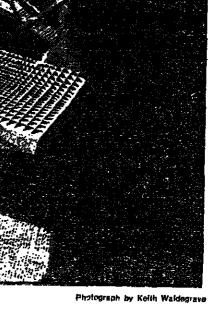
the hint. One large corporation, for example, used a former addict as an undercover agent to break up a drug dealing ring in its factory. Other companies, as a matter of policy, search employees lockers regularly and some even have Monday morning urine analysis to identify weekend drug users. But the pressure appears to

he only on hard drugs. Supervisors allegedly turn a blind eye to barbiturates and marijuana. Indeed, some suggest that they are a positive aid to workers doing bering repetitive production line jobs.

are affecting job performance, confronting the employee, "Forcing him or increasingly In spite of a decade of rapid

progress combating alcoholism the blind eye is often present there, too, especially in smaller companies, "Those of us with schemes are still a drop in the bucket", Mr Wrich, of United Airlines says. This is because smaller companies think that they have nothing to worry about—that the disease is a problem only in certain indus-tries like coal mining, steel manufacture and heavy engineering, or professions like medicine and journalism.

The truth appears to be different. "Our experience is that it affects all industries and



advises companies wishing to set up programmes. "All I set up programmes. "All I would say is that some occupations provide more opportunity. Advertising men have many business lunches. On a night shift supervision tends to be looser."

A typical company pro-ramme concentrates on spotting the symptoms of continued these schemes and then to have heavy drinking—absenteeism or lateness on the shop floor; a reduced appetite for work at think these programmes are evaluated appetite for work at think these programmes are evaluated appetite for work at think these programmes are evaluated appetite for work at think these programmes are elent for alcoholics, but I work at the way they may be used against other employees who are simply difficult," he her to accept that their work is says. her to accept that their work is suffering often makes them face up to the fact that they need help and this makes the cure much easier", Dr Sherman "drie"

that in many cases they keep drinking, but more modestly. Provided the worker gets back to work the programmes make financial sense for companies. Dr Sherman claims that he could set up a scheme for a company with 1,000 employees for about \$10,000 a year, "Though you could obviously spend much more".

mance does not suffer. But that

does not necessarily mean that they have been completely cured. Several companies admit

Government figures say that companies recoup \$8 in cost savings or avoided expense for every \$1 they spend on a pro-gramme. These savings result from the fact that the typical patient is in his late thirties or early forties and has been with the company for at least 10 years. Dismissing people of such seniority and training an ade

quate replacement can be costly. Some people are nervous about the spread of the programmes. Mr Richard Weiss at the University of Delaware in particular is concerned about the religious zeal of those citing figures for the incidence of alcoholism and suggests that the numbers are exaggerated. He believes that many people in these schemes do not have a crinking problem at all, but bedeny the disease the more those

who are wrongly identifed as

alcoholics protest, the more their supervisor is convinced

that they need help. In this way alcoholism gets blamed for what is in fact a failure of management. The temptation for supervisors is to channel problem workers into

He also mischeviously suggests that, in some branches of help and this makes the cure much easier", Dr Sherman says.

This may help to explain the high "cure" rates claimed by most companies—which means that the employee carries on working and his job performages that, in some branches of management, having been trained out at least once is an aid to promotion. "In sales it is like a war wound—a red badge of courage," he says. "If your job has not criven you to drink, you obviously haven't been trying hard enough."

## Business Diary: 'Evening News' final • Ludwig's overtures?

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argary Associated's warned's magazine from started a and a newcomer to red upon an expen-ting campaign, Ms and a minweek ediTiny Rowland's relations with Daniel K. Ludwig, the world's richest man, are rapidly starting to resemble the bond between Brandan Bracken and

Winston Churchill,
The difference could be that
Rowland may eventually take
over the mantle of his elder
friend. Ludwig, whose elusiveness is well known, if not quite
as extreme as that of the late
Howard Hughes, was in London
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company will be run recipited and Express to make a fair pross more than can be re of the other actiare great friends and see each other all the time, but I'm not prepared to talk about Mr Rowland's personal engagements.

Air Ludwig certainty did not come to this office."

Linguish engagements indeed.

could make a healthy profit.
Today the picture is very dif-ferent. Metro is out of business and Mis London has just been end his London and Just occur told by its owners, the Irish Independent Group of Tony O'Reilly, president of Heinz, that it must drop its midweek edition because it is unprofita newcorner to able. Girl continues much the same—which means that the London giveaway market is now to compain, Ms back to what it was a year ago, sempaine, Ms back to what it was a year ago, such lessons are learnt without some of the problems of redundancy which plague the contident that it



One of the few photographs of the clusive Daniel K. Ludwig, taken some years ago.

but there are reports that the pair have signed a \$10m deal for kaolin mining in Ludwig's Jari project in South America. Uncolightening stuff, indeed, Ludwig has been spending a So it is with mixed pleasure that I have to report that the Evening News, in spite of its death sentence, has been main-

taining commendably high stan-dards recently. Though no more than a handful of the staff bave other jobs, the editorial floor has consistently met its deadlines and will continue to do so today through the champagne party which starts at 10 am until another party to be thrown by editor Lou Kirby at a Fleet Street watering hole during the

large part of his fortune on converting a section of the Brazilian forest the size of Wales into a commercial timber proposition and there is speculation that he is looking for outrelease.
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stae capital.

Last year Ludwig sold Rowland a half share in his Princess Properties hotel chain, which includes the Acapulco Princess, for £40m. Part of the settlement included the issue of five million Lourho shares over which Rowland still exercises voting control. Spicer commented: "We are

on record as wanting to extend our hotel chain. It is possible that may include Mr Ludwig. We are currently clearing a site for a \$100m extension too in Mexico with hotels and several condominiums. If Mr Ludwig makes an investment it is a private matter."

Never let it be said that there is no place for romance in this cruel, cold world. Next week Britain's Hodder & Stoughton, publishers, will announce an agreement with the American weepie kings Simon & Shuster for the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand and South African launch of what they describe as "a major new line in contemporary romantic fiction .

Nine titles under the Silbouette Romances imprint will appear during the first write a new guide—to the red month and six each after at the wines of Wiltshire.

low price of 65p each, "Thereafter women the world over will be putting their feet up and revelling in the world of romance", says the press

The writer of this stuff obviously moves in different circles from yours truly.

Competition has come to a little visited area of British commerce. For the past two years a Wiltshire farmer called Bernard Theobald has enjoyed a complete monopoly of the English red wine market, since almost all the 200 or so English vineyards prefer to make their product from early ripening white grape varieties—the only sort that stand much chance of coming to a sweet maturity in Competition has come to a

coming to a sweet maturity in the fitful English sun. Now a rival to Theobald's Westbury wine has entered the ring. It is made by a Canadian chemist, Gordon Caldow, who has settled at Stort, near The agency for his entire

production was snapped up at the recent Bristol wine fair by an enrhusiastic wine man called David Wolfe. "It is the first exclusive agency I have taken on ", he says, " but then the total production of red wine this year is only 10 cases ". Wine: writers are now "Mere eagerly speculating how long it more I might be before one of their More Knumber is commissioned to Indeed.

Before any of us are overwhelmed with gloom by yester-day's BL strike votes, I should point out that there is one consolation to be drawn from events from Longbridge.

Jack Adams, Derek Robinson's successor as chairman of the unofficial BL Cars combined shop stewards committee, has something which his predecessor never had-a sense of

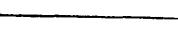
This was apparent when Adams sarcastically referred to the supposed benefits of the new BL bonus scheme at yesterday's Longbridge meeting, a scheme which offers substantial rewards, but only for levels of productivity which the BL workers believe impossible. "The scheme's got potential

there." Adams said, pointing to a diminutive Longbridge shop steward. "Dennis is only four foot two now but when he was horn he had the potential to be

The elevation of television starting to encroach upon advertising compaigns. HMV are about to launch a promo-tion with the unlieby theme of "Mers Rock than Gibrahar, more Topes than Watergate, More Rezgoe then Bosanquet".

David Hewson

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# Underlying tone firm but only oils go ahead

to the Leyland workers' rejection of their pay offer, although stocks weakened slightly in thin trading. But in spite of the firm underlying tone, there was not enough business about to carry prices very far, and by lunchtime the market had settled into the dull pattern that characterized the day. The FT Index closed

down 0.4 at 492.8. A few special situations provided more interest, but most of the price rises reflected the shortage of stock. Oils were strong again with crude prices on an uphill track.

Gilts, 100, had a slack day, with longs opening I down on the previous night's close and drifting back and forth within orning was all day. They finally ended up 1 off, with most of the falls coming after

In shorts, the Government broker supplied the new short tap, Treasury 3 per cent 1985, at £72!. Trade was featureless with the market moving within an eightle of a point and ending unphased on the previous unchanged on the previous

Leading industrials echoed the subdued strength of the overall market, with small gains. ICI added 2p to 338p, as did Unilever to 458p and Courtaulds a 66p-encouraged by a maintained dividend at Coats Patons. Bowater bucked the trend by losing 6p to 178p. Dunlop was steady at 710, as was Glaxo at 244p, but Fisons gained 4p to 210p. Beechams edged up 1p to

Oil shares went up on expectations of higher oil prices as the Gulf war shows no sign of abatwhile IC Gas gained 11p to 341p

The market was firm but and Shell spurted 12p to reach turned to 160p, down 5p. quiet yesterday with enough demand to support prices and modest 6p, to 484p. Tricentrol in STC on news of a big un very little selling. There was added 2p to 426p; Ultramar little reaction across the board rose 7p to 495p while Burmah also managed a 7p gain at 208p. Banks opened a little better, but took fright after news of a £4m loan stock placing by the

> Comfort Hotels may be raising cash for joint ventures soonpossibly through a placing of preference shares. The ordinary stood at 221p yesterday. The group was ready to take some Coral's Centre Hotels off bidder Grand Metropolitan-and may yet take one or two from Coral's new suitor, Bass. Mr Henry Edwards, Comfort's chairman, headed Centre when Coral snapped it up in 1977.

Midland and slid several pence. Barrlays, Lloyds, and the Midland itself all lost 7p-to 476p, 348p and 353p respectively.
National Westminster made a
more sedate 5p descent to 423p.
Grindlays lost all the ground gained the day before, and re-

Company Sales
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Aberdeen Tst (F) -(-)
Armour Tst (F) 8.23(7.45)
Bambers Stores (I) 13.8(11.1)
Boosey & Hawkes (I) 9.15(8.05)
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Lunava Cyln Tea (1) --(--)
Wm Press (1) 122(114)
Scott's Restaurant (1) 1.09(0.93)
S. Simpson (F) 22.3(22.04)
Weeks Assoc (1) 218(2.07)

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Electricals featured activity sea cable contract. The shares ran up 15p to 478p. Thorn-RMI benefited from the aunounce

ment of a video disc venture with GE of America, rising 3p to 358p. GEC added 2p to 570p. Berec had a bad day following gloomy hints to analysts and lost 4p to 83p after wavering about earlier. But for the most part the sector was, firm, but unexciting Hoover "A" shares, awaiting figures next Wednesday, held steady at 134p.

Companies reporting yester-day showed little reaction. Hop-kinsons announced a loss, but hopes of a full-year profit kept the shares level at 56p. Coats Patons' maintainer dividend helped its shares rise 15p to 561p in spite of the fall in profits. William Press initially moved up after the interim annoved up after the interim announcement, but ended un-changed at 29 p. But Bambers Stores' figures were well re-ceived, and the shares rose 1p

Latest results

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day-in spite of a denial from

sector saw little trade, though prices generally held firm. Amongst the smaller stores, takeover favourite Owen Owen added 7p to 123p. Profit-taking after recent

speculation knocked 5p off Polly Peck, but Wearwell edged up ip to 66p and Cornell Dresses gained 8p to 92p in continued speculation about Mr Asil Nadir's plans. Foods saw Associated Dairies losing 4p to 232p in continued reaction to the chairman's warning about profits at Wednesday's annual meeting. J. Sainsbury ran into profit-taking, and dropped 50 to

Properties spent a rather quiet session with prices gene-rally marked lower in line with the rest of the market. Nevertheless, jobbers admitted no

19/12 —(2.0) 12/12 —(5.66) 5/1 —(4.5) 8/12 —(-)

Elsewhere in the stores sector, House of Fraser continued to be active with a 4p gain to 142p, after touching 148p during the had been discounted.

Lourho of any hid plans.

The rest of the majors in the Enthusiastic buying compled. with stock shortages has re sulted in a strong rally in shares of BICC this week This comes after news of Plessey's recent big defence contract from which BICC should greatly benefit. However, jobbers are unlikely to gain much relief when brokers Fielding Newson Smith pub-lish a "buy" circular later The shares rose a further 2p to 178p yesterday.

> In mining figancials, Consolidated, Gold Fields firmed 10p to 661p, but RTZ closed unchanged at 480a.

Equity turnover on October 30 was £140.391ar (19,204 barwas £140.39lat (19,000 baring gains). Active stocks yester-day, according to Exchange Telegraph, were BP, Associated Dairies, Rank, Burmah, Lasmo, Premier, Shelli Berclays, Bambers Stores, Beyer, Consolidated Gold Rields, Courtlands, GUS, KCA International and National Westminster.

Traded Options: Total contracts amounted to 1,170 in a quieter day. Interest flared up again in Longho, with buyers chasing the November 104s in hopes of a quick profit before the series expires. Consolidated Gold Fields January 650s and 700s were also busy.

2 -(5, 1 -(4.5), 6/12 -(-0), 31/12 -(4.0), -(3.79(3.79), -(12 -(5.6), -(17.0), -(6.5), -(1.7), Traditional options were fairly active thanks to the firm underlying tone in the equity market. There was only one put, in Tesco at 50, but calls were arranged in Town and Ciry at 250, Charterhall at 14p and in the volatile Double. Eagle at £14.

# 600 Group makes Stormy meeting £2.5m agreed bid expected for Moran for Startrite

By Michael Clark Sir Jack Wellings' 600 Group last night launched an agreed bid worth 52.58m for the Startrite Engineering, the machine tool group.

The terms were 72p cash for each ordinary Startrite shareand 105p cash for each 11 per cent cum pref share of £1. Shares of Startrite were sus-

pended yesterday morning at 46p, pending an announcement, which most dealers in the market suspected was prior to a bid. Indeed, the bid follows a year

of, profit shortfalls andrationalization; which the group said was essential to maintain cash flow Earlier this month, the group

reported pretax profits down by 37 per cent to £428,000 and cut the final dividend by 51 per cent to 1.95p gross. A statement from the board of Startrice and its advisers, stockbrokers E. B. Savory Miln, said, the terms of the offer are-fair and reasonable and they strongly recommend share-

strongly recomme holders to accept. At the same time, the direc-tors themselves—and executors of the late Mr N. J. Vardigans—holding about 514 per cent of the ordinary shares and 8.7. per cent of the preference shares respectively, have given interocable undertakings to



Sir Jack Wellings, Chairman of the 600 Group.

Shareholders accepting the offer will be entired to receive and retain the total dividend for the year to June 36, of 2.28p gross. In the meantime, holders of the preference shareswill be entitled to receive and remain their dividend for the half-year to December 31, 1989 Referring to the retrenche ments promised by the group at the trine of the full year figures. Mr. William Bruce, chairman in Startitie, stated that the tris-backs did not mean that the group was in difficulties.

However, it was said in City circles last night that his group's machine tool husness would fit suitably into the 600 Group's machine tools division.

business could be prejudiced from the action taken by the committee of Lloyd's in initiacommittee of Lloyd's in initiating certain disciplinary procedoies under the Lloyd's Acts
and bye-less; and the criminal
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Mr Moran is currently on bail
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Fireworks are expected tod as shareholders of troubl Lloyd's of Lordon insuran broker Christopher Mor: Group will be asked by the pr

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founder Mr Christopher Mor:

as a director. If he is not r

moved the other four directo have said they will resign.

The extraordinary gener-meeting at the Sayoy Hou

today was convened after M. Moran refused to submit h

resignation voluntarily, althoug-the board suspended him s

managing director in August.

At the last count the boar

had received 3.4m proxy vote out of the 17.4m available

About 24m support the board

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The Moran board has reques ted Mr. Moran's resignation because they say, a situation could arise in which the group's

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early this month, the board said that it was convinced that it will be increasingly difficult will be increasingly difficult for them to fulfil their obligations should Mr Moran remain publicly associated with it and that the group will suffer if such association continues. It added: "We sympathise with Mr Moran's fear that his resignation could be tmisinter-

resignation could be tmisinter-preted and we acknowledge that he is strenuously denying all the allegations

In what was Mr Moran's first official letter to shareholders list Friday, he said that he believes that "without my efforts the value of the company will greatly diminish". He said that a major part of the com-pany's profits have come from instrance broking which is necessarily a "nighly personal-ized business".

## Payout lifted as Armour climbs

Armour Trust, the holding company with interests in confectionery and television rental, lifted pretax profits by 18 per cent to £440,000 in the year to April 30. Turnover increased by a tenth to £8.23m.

However the group warns that trading in the first half of the current year has been difficult, although it intends to con-solidate the recovery of the

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25 per cent increase in the dividend is proposed to 0.18p

The confectionery company, the holding carter Penguin Group, had a record year. Armour explained that because the confectionery side is geared to the cheaper end of the market, it had been able to withstand the drop in confectionery Competitive pressures are now affecting profitability, there are signs of an upturn in

Telesure made a small loss. of the switch in emphasis from credit sales to rental of televisions, which has hit profits, Telesure is not

expected to make much profit in the short term and rental growth will be harder to achieve this year. However, Telesure has expanded its personal loan business to customers and expects more growth.
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Trust and the liquidator of Armour Hick (Northern) has now been settled. The costs of the settlement have been included in the results.

Net profits transferred to reserves totalled £393,000 compared with £367,000 in 1978-79.

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West Bromwich Spring: Turnover for first half of 1980, £2.18m (£2.07m). Pretax profits, £220,000 (£275,000). No interim payment (against 0.41p gross last year). Canadian & Foreign Investment Trust: Pretax profits for half-year to September 30, 1980, £372,000 (£295,000). Interim payment raised

from 2.5p to 2.78p gross. Corning (subsidiary of Corning Glass Works, of the United States): Sales for 28 weeks to Iune 15, £33,19m (£31.71m). Loss, before tax, £476,000 (against profit of £932,000 last time).

Municipal Properties: Gross income for first half of 1980, £137,000 (£121,000). Pretax profits, £149,000 (£108,000). Lumiva (Ceylon) Tea and Rubber Estates: Net revenue before rax for nine months to September 30, 5124,000 (592,500). Interim payment, gross, raised from 7.14p to 8.57p.

Strong & Fisher (Holdings) : In his annual report, the chairman, Mr Edward Davies, warns share-holders that the immediate future remains, understandably, very uncertain. There is now clear evileather are reemerging and raw naterials have risen from their lowest levels. "Whether these signs of a renewed confidence can

question". MFI: Mr D. S. Hunt, director, disposed of 10,000 shares on Octodisposed of 10,000 shares on Octo-her 24.

AB Foods-CWS: Associated Bri-tish Foods has completed the pur-chase from Co-operative Wholesale Society of its 49 per cent share-holding in Chancelot Mill of Leith. Shell Petroleum: Boards of Shell Petroleum and Irish Shell have agreed terms on which Shell Petroleum will make an offer for the preference capital of Irish Shell, being 120,800 shares. Terms: f1.05 (Irish) in cash for each share.

each share. Catalin: E. F. Robbins Ltd of New Catalin: E. F. Robbins Ltd of New York have purchased further ordinary shares in Catalin, increasing its bolding to 128,000 shares (7.5 per cent).

Australian National Industries: Chairman, Mr E. A. O'Halloran, told the AGM: "1979-80 was another very successful year for ANI and we achieved our 13th Consecutive year of profit growth. We have made our best start ever to any financial year in 1980-81 with all divisions contributing most

We have made our best start ever to any financial year in 1980-81 with all divisions contributing most satisfactorily to our total group performance. Both sales and profits for the three months to September, 1980 are 15 per cent abead of the corresponding period of last year."

Philip Morris: Philip Morris Incorporated's subsidiary, Philip Morris International NV, intendis to issue in Switzerland 100m Swiss francs 5½ per cent bonds with a maturity of 10 years. This issue will be underwritten by: a group of Swiss banks headed by the Swiss Bank Corporation, Credit Suisse and Union Bank of Switzerland.

Heron bond: Heron International

and Union Bank of Switzerland.

Heron bond: Heron International announce the issue of a 50m Swiss franc international bond by its subsidiary. Heron International Finance B.V. the bond was issued at par, carries a coupon of six-and-three-quarters per cent and is redeemable in 1990 at the latest. The issue was substantially over-substribed application has been made for the loan to be quoted on the stock Exchanges of Basle, Berne, Lausanne and Zurich. The bond is unconditionally guaranteed by Heron International and the proceeds will be used for expansion overseas in particular the United States.

Drayton Consolidated Trust: Pru-

particular the United States.
Drayton Consolidated Trust: Prudential Group have bought a further 150,000 ordinary shares and now hold 2.88m shares (9.19 per cent).
Cotoroll: Reporting half-year results of Coloroll Ltd, the Nelson, Lancashire, private company said to be the fastest-growing manufacturer of wallcoverings in Europe, Mr John Ashcroft, managing director, expresses confidence in the future. Coloroll's results for the first half of the current year show future. Coloroll's results for the first half of the current year show a turnover in excess of £10m (compared with £18m in the full 1979/80 year) and sales currently running 20 per cent above the figures for last year, despite adverse industry trading conditions in both the United Kingdom and export markets.

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Aberdeen Trust: Pretax revenue for year to September 30, 1980, 53.29m (£3.25m). Total gross dividend. 8.14p (6.35p).

Scott's Restrucant: Turnover for first half of 1980. £1.09m (£931,000). Pretax profits, £29,000 (£65.600).

### Sales fall hits Weeks Associates

By Our Financial Staff Weeks Associates, manufac-

turers of agricultural and rubber products, has blamed the 20 per cent decline in sales for its losses in the first six months of the year. The Hessle-based group re-

ported losses of £115,800 in the six months to August compared with pre-rax profits of £29,600 Trading profit of £207,200 was offset by increased interest

of £30,000 for start-up costs for the subsidiary, Hunton Singapore, losses were made of £145,900. An interior dividend has been passed.
Mr N. White, the finance

director, said yesterday that all. the United Kingdom companies had been affected by the decline in demand despite the cost-cutting operations which had been made. After the first in the same period last year, three months of the year, which Turnover rose slightly from were affected by the steel £5.8m last year to £6.1m. strike, changes in the bosiness Trading profit of £207.200 climate came in May. Since then order books at all the subcharges of £323,000 against sidiaries apart from Tong & £162,800 in the period last year. Sons, were down across the After an extraordinary charge board he said.

cent of sales which saw an increase of 5 per cent in the period, resulting from a direct effort to develop overseas markets. At Huntons, menutacturers of axles and bydraulic rams, the

lack of sales combined with delays in production resulted in loses of £100,000; of which f55,000 were non-recurring. The barrowings raised last

year of £1.6m in medium and long term loans for the pur-chase of Rubber Allied Products, had changed the group's liquidity position.

#### Glaxo warning as profits slip

Sir Austin Bide, chairman of

## French woollent firms to merge

specializing in the production of wool and woollen garments in-tend to merge to form the lead-ing French group in the field in direct to the state of the

with sales or amost scotts francs (£476m).
Under the terms of the merger, Societe lag Lainiere de Roubaix will merge with the three holding companies of the Prouvost group which together already own 44.6 per cent of La Lainiere's capital. These are

societe Auxiliane ostrie Textile with

interest in La SA and will have a workford Terms of the merger include the exchange of 13 shares of La Lainiere for every share of

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of Promost SA, which controls Stocks of La Lamiere de ability very difficult any British manufact wool and has units in South traded in the Pais Stock Extra Africa and Australia.

The new group created by the closed at a 1980 low of 36.20 strengthens.

pharmaceuticals group Glaxo, says in his annual report: "The depressed and worsening creasing profit and profit-ability very difficult indeed for any British manufacturing and exporting company, and the more so as sterling

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Interim Announcement

Unaudited results for January/June 1980 and the comparative figures for 1979 are

Turnover	Jan./June	Jan./June	Year
	1980	1979	1979
	£000s	£000s	£000s
	345,512	336,049	683,649
Trading profit before charging depreciation Less: Depreciation	37,453	39,225	79,521
	7,265	6,615	13,445
Trading Profit	30,188	32,610	66,076
	6,575	4,403	11,306.
Passite of associated companies	23,613	28,207	54,770
	1,392	1,012	2,739
	1,673	1,826	6,025
Investment and other income  Profit before taxation	25,678	31,045	63,534
	11,178	11,773	25,250
Investment grants	15,500	19,272	38,284
	164	175	349
Profit after taxation	15.664	19,447	38,633
	2,225	2,509	4,958
Profit before extraordinary items	13,439	16,938	33.675
	1,085	663	1,971
Preference dividends	12,354	16,275	31,704
	24	24	48
Profit carned for ordinary shareholders	12,330	16,251	31,656
	3,874	4,164	11,358
Profit retained	8,456	12,087	20,298 
Earnings per ordinary share of 25p	4.8p	6.1p	12.2p
U.S. Dollar rates of exchange used-Dollars per E	S2.40	52.07	<u>\$2.22</u>

Sales at £346 million (1979, £336 million) were marginally higher than in the same period last year. World sales volume was virtually unchanged and price increases more than offset the adverse effect on sales value of the strengthening of Sterling compared

with January/June, 1979. Exchange movements reduced trading profits by £7.3 million, or 22%, but better Exchange movements reduced trading profits by 27.5 million, or 22%, but getter trading results in North America and certain European countries, derived entirely from improved efficiency, confined the drop to £2.4 million, or 7%. Unfortunately the level of price increases mentioned above was insufficient to cover increased costs and trading margins fell to 8.7% (1979, 9.7%).

The increase of £2.2 million in the interest charge was due to higher interest rates and increased borrowings overseas.

Owing to improved profits in high tax countries and a provision for clawback of stock relief which may not be necessary, the rate of tax has risen from 38% to 42%. In consequence, profit earned for ordinary shareholders was £12.3 million (1979,

£16.3 million), a reduction of 24%. Profit before taxation of £26.7 million reduces on an SSAP 16 basis to £10.7 million (1979, £31 million to £16.3 million).

Trading conditions, particularly in the United Kingdom, were difficult throughout the first half of the year and there is currently little sign of improvement. We are continuing our policy of rationalisation and disposal of surplus assets. Taken together with a more efficient use of working capital, it is expected that the net borrowing position at the year-end will be similar to that at December, 1979. It is anticipated that the year on year increase in interest charges will not be greater than the increase shown for the first six mouths. The movement of the Sterling exchange rate will however, be the main factor determining the results for the current year.

An unchanged interim divided of 1 An per share will be paid on 31st December.

An unchanged interim dividend of 1.4p per share will be paid on 31st December, 1930, to ordinary shareholders on the register on 14th November, 1980.























## FINANCIAL NEWS

# Jardine Matheson move to deter possible bidder

In a defensive move designed to fend off a possible bid, Jardine Matheson the Hongkong trading glant has followed up its issue of 25m new shares to Hongkong Landwith a Joan stock conversion which will create another 24m shares.

Jardine said it is to convert all outstanding 7½ per cent convertible subordinated un-secured loan stock 1990 into ordinary shares. Holders can

ordinary shares. Holders can alternatively opt to have the stock redeemed.

The conversion rate, adjusted for an earlier three-fortiventy scrip issue, is HK\$30.40 (2.46p) nominal of ordinary shares for every HK\$100 of loan stock giving an effective price of HK\$19.74 per share.

Jardine was free to take this step as long as the market price of its shares had remained 50 per cent above the subscription price for ten consecutive days. This happened on Wednesday but the expected htts:

announcement of the conversion was replaced by the Land issue which raised htts:

HK\$750m. The total amount of ourstanding loan stock is http://dx.



Mr David Newbigging, chair-man of Jardine Matheson.

In addition to these moves, the terms of the HK\$1,000m rights issue announced last month are due to be announced in the middle of November. This will carry warrants convertible into equiry. vertible into equity.

But in spite of the 20 per

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cent increase in equity announced over two days, and the rights issue, Jardine's shares have been showing remarkable strength. In Hongkong they rose HK\$2.25 to HK\$30.25, and they continued to rise in London to

256p yesterday.
All this activity is largely aimed at staving off a possible aimed at staving off a possible bid from Chinese interests, particularly Sir Y. K. Pao, the shipping magnate. The strength of the share price is put down to both support from friendly interests and buying by the Chinese

Mr David Newbigging, chairman of Jardine, gave as one motive for the issue to Land the damping down of speculation in the shares based on a

#### Bambers raises market share

By Margareta Pageno With high street traders reporting a squeeze in consumer spending in recent weeks, Rambers Stores, the woman's clorbes retailer and manufacturer, yesterday announced that it had captured a larger slice of

But the two per cent incresse in market share was accom-panied by a fall in trading propanied by a last in training pro-fits in the six months to August to £705,000 compared with £906,000 in the same period last year. Turnover increased by 23 per cent from £11.1m to £13.8m. An interim gross dividend is declared at 0.92p, an increase of 14.7 per cent, compared with 0.8p at the halfway stage last year. Including the sale of properties of £417,000. pretax profit . opened

was £1.1m compared with £1m Mr Louis Vernon, the manag-ing director, said yesterday that with a general decline in high street trading of 15 to 20 per cent, the group had returned
"satisfactory growth".

Interest charges were up from
£340,000 last year to £710,000
for the period, Bosrowings

remain at last year's level of f6m. The group feek satisfied with this but is making attempts to reduce the ratio between borrowings and shareholders

Manufacturing, which remains an integral part of the clothing business, contributes 60 per cent to overall sales and helps in keeping prices down. In the last six months the group has

throughout the country, bring-ing up the total to 200 retailing outlets. However, a few "sur-plus" branches have been closed. Mr Vernon said.

The next three months, which include the Christmas season and January sales, are traditionally the group's most important selling time and it looks forward to increased sales. Indications are that the last two months of trading have shown improvement and the group is optimistic for the coming sea-

Last year, the group saw pre-tax profits rise 47 per cent to £4.07m, on turnover of £25.2m. After stripping out £715,000 from the sale of properties, the increase was 29 per cent. The share price dropped 1p to 56p.

received a large order from that

country on a spot delivery basis. The exports to West

Germany also showed a sharp increase, 104.9 per cent to 32,049 units from 15,635 units.

27,834 units, up 13.7 per cent from 24,460 units. Those to other areas reached 400,449

units, up 51.3 per cent from 264,612 units the year before. Meanwhile, the company said

it had won an order from Poland for 500 small cars for

shipment from next month. It declined to disclose price derails. The order is in addition to 750 cars ordered by Poland

To effect the proposed

split, Socal said, shareholdes will be asked to approve an

amendment to increase the num-

If the amendment is agreed

upon, the split will be effective on February 6.

The boards of Ampex Corpo

ration and Signal have signed a formal definitive agreement previous for the acquisition of Ampex by Signal through an exchange of common stock.

The agreement calls for the echange of 0.85 of a Signal

common share for each com-

The merger is subject to approval by the shareholders of

mon share of Ampex.

both companies.

shares from 250m to 500m.

Signal buys Ampex

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Exports to Australia came to

### Toyota Motor Sales slips at interim

International

the domestic market alone totalled 770,462 units in the six

months, down 7.9 per cent from 836,255 units the year earlier.

Exports increased 40.1 per

sales firm for the Toyota Motor Group, has suffered a profit decline for the first time in three years, although sales were a half-year record, helped by active exports.

exchange losses arising from the yen's apprecia-tion and increased interest payment burdens trimmed the

ment burdens trimmed the profit.

After-tax profit was 17,300m ven (about £33m) for the first half ended September 30. Sales totalled 1,830 billion ven. The interim dividends was 5.50 ven per share, the same as last time.

Overall sales came to 1.6m ven. Sales in the very per cent. Sales in the very per cent. Sales in the very per cent. Exports to Iraq increased units, up 13.2 per cent. Sales in the very per cent.

#### Loss forecast at KLM

KLM Royal Dutch Airlines expects a loss in the year end-ing March 31 in view of current particularly for passenger prospects for the remaining two traffic.

#### **Progress at Cyanamid**

Cyanamid has reported an the third quarter "all of which 11:1 per cent sales increase for performed better than expected third quarter of 1980 com-ted".

cal and consumer businesses in of the year.

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Standard Oil

The hoard a lard Oil of California pro lard for one stock split and large in the quarterly locents to \$1 a shad The cash dividend on December 10. KLM said that traffic in the The airline showed a net profit of 15.3m florins last year. In the first half, to September 30, of this fiscal year, its net profit declined to 79.4m florins (£17.8m) from 92.0m last cent from 65.8 per cent. year, with higher second-quarter Passenger traffic on earnings net making up for the first quarter's 12m loss. Passenger traffic on scheduled services rose one per first quarter's 12m loss.

nared with a year ago. Net earning rose 2.8 per cent, despite unusual charges for plant shutdowns and consolidations.

Mr James G. Affleck, the chairman and chief executive, noted the achievements of Cyanamid's agricultural, medical and consumer businesses in of the year.

He said, however, that the company was still feeling the effect of the downturn of the economy in the chemicals and formica brand products businesses, and did not foresee much improvement in these businesses during the balance of the year.

#### **Business appointments**

#### **Avon Rubber elects two** non-executive directors

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Mr John Pinckard and Mr Ian Weston Smith have become non-executive directors on the main board of Avon Rubber Company. Mr B. H. Nathau and Mr K. J. McQueen have joined the board of General Mining Union Corporapon (UK).

Mr Terry Butcher and Mr Jim French have become directors of Atcost Structures. Mr Mike Dunig has become a director of Accost Projects and Mr George Maw has joined the board of Accost Con-

Mr Alexander T. Liu. vice-president, has been made director of administration at Bankers Trust International.

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Mr Gordon A. Rogers has been appointed by the London Electri-city Board as financial director in succession to Mr James Smith. Mr B. Smallman has become a director of Courtanids Knitwear.
Mr A. J. Taylor, previously deputy president of the Process Plant Association, has been elected president in succession to Mr Roger Kingdom who has resigned.

Kingdom who has resigned.

Mr Paul Cockerham has been appointed managing director at Alpha MicroSystems UK. Mr I. P. Evans is now sales director.

Mr Philip Carter, managing director of the Littlewoods Organization, has been elected charman of the Man-Made Fibre Production Sector Working Party of the National Economic Development Council,

Mr Gerald H. Cookson has been appointed a regional director of the northern regional board of Lloyds Bank.

Mr David Fookes, has been made a director of Grundles Pumps. Mr Alan Bradley, has become produc-tion director of the company's British manufacturing subsidiary Grundios Manufacturing.

Mr R. E. J. Clark, managing director of Maxview Aerials. has been made chairman of the British Aerial Standards Council.

Mr William O. Ling, has joined the board of directors of Derby-shire Building Society. Mr Michel Knibbeler has been made a director of Charterhouse

Mr Barrie Carter has become manazing director of Metal and Pipeline Endurance.

Mr Stefan Olszowski bas become an on-executive director of Coales Brothers & Company but not a director of Thomson Travel as reported in some editions vester-day. Air Nigel Harrison has been appointed financial director of Thomson Tyard. Thomson Travel.

#### Hopkinsons pushed into loss by strike

By Our Financial Staff

A damaging: 15-week strike has plunged Hopkinson Holdings, the boiler mounting and valve group, into the red at the half-way stage. Interim figures for the six months to August 1, show pre-tax profits plunging from £789,000 into a loss of £94,000 on turnover reduced from £21.1m to £18.9m.
A spokesman for the group said the strike had cost in excess of £1m with only one third

of the usual working period used up.

Nevertheless, the board has declared an interim dividend of 2.14p gross which is unchanged over the corresponding

Looking to the second half, the group points to a satisfac-tory order book and expects to return to the black for the year as a whole. A profit of over £1m has not been discounted. The overall trading position remains fairly stable, although the fall in sales results from increased destocking by most of the group's estimates. the group's customers.
On top of this the 15-week strike has meant increased borrowings which now amount to

over £5m.

#### Workforce reduced as Twinlock loss rises

man, explains that the company experienced difficult conditions in the United Kingdom and the half years sales, though 4.8 per cent ahead at £14.96m, were expected "to prove satisfactory". Pretax profits reached £674,000 in 1979.

Touche Ross Int in

New Zealand could below earlier expectations.

Interest charges grew from
5716,000 to 757,000. The slack-

ness in demand posed further problems for the group's fac-tories and short-time working continued in most locations. in demand posed further Additionally, Twinlock took action to lower costs and the number of people employed was cut by 10 per cent in the halfyear. These actions enabled it to absorb much of the fall in trading profit arising from the

downturn in sales.
This group makes productas for recording, storing, retriev-ing and displaying business in-

#### First-half jump

at Jackson Group More than doubled half-time figures are reported by the Jackson Group, the East Anglian construction and industrial ser-Jackson Group, the East Anglian has not escaped the recession. It estimates that in the half-vices concern, the shares of which are traded on the over-the-counter market made by M. I. H. Nightingsle.

The pretax loss of Twinlock widened from £241,000 to 5339,000 in the half year to August 29.

Mr J. H. Murray, the chairman, and that the chiracter of General to Samueline the second-half does not interest. Banco Bamerindus do Brasil. one of Brazil's largest to was up from £6.12m to £9.34m. tors warn. However, the interim private banks with over £50 hranches across the country. In the second-half does not interest. Banco Bamerindus do Brasil. one of Brazil's largest private banks with over £50 hranches across the country. In the second-half does not interest. Banco Bamerindus do Brasil. one of Brazil's largest private banks with over £50 hranches across the country. In the second-half does not interest. Banco Bamerindus do Brasil. One of Brazil's largest private banks with over £50 hranches across the country. In the second-half does not interest. Banco Bamerindus do Brasil. One of Brazil's largest private banks with over £50 hranches across the country. In the second-half does not interest. Banco Bamerindus do Brasil. One of Brazil's largest private banks with over £50 hranches across the country. In the second-half does not interest. Banco Bamerindus do Brasil. One of Brazil's largest private banks with over £50 hranches across the country. In the second-half does not interest. Banco Bamerindus does not interest. Banco B

Scandinavian mergers Touche Ross International announces a merger in Denmark between its member firm, DFR and the old-established Schoebel & Marholt practice. The combined firm is now one of the two largest accounting practices in Denmark. The two of the two largest accounting practices in Denmark. The two firms have a total of 400 people including 48 partners operating from 10 offices in eight cities. Total fees in the current year arc in excess of £5.3m.

Also announced by Touche Ross International is a merger in Sweden between its member firm, Stockholms Revisionsbyra AB and Elinder & Nystrom.

#### Interim results down

- Border Breweries (Wrexham)

New Zealand could become self-sufficient in gold for in-dustrial and related purposes if MIM Holdings, the Australian mining company, is successful in exploiting an alluvial gold deposit in the Mikonui River valley on the South Island. MIM has commissioned Alluvial Dredges, a Scottish com-

pany, to prepare a design for a bucket dredge. The design should be ready by next spring. If the project proceeds, the contract for the dredge and associated equipment could be worth AS25m (£12.5m). Another Australian company, Endeavour Resources, is to spend AS17.5m (£8.75m) on acquiring Rhondda Colliery in AB and Elinder & Nystrom.

#### at Border Breweries GM—Midland Bank

link in Brazil Jackson Group, the East Anglian construction and industrial services concern, the shares of which are traded on the overthe-counter market made by M.

J. H. Nightingale.

In the first half of this year, pretax profits climbed to 1365,000, against £173,000 last

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Brasil, one of Brazil's largest private banks with over 650 branches across the country, holds the remaining 51 per cent The participation of General

The participation of General Motors extends the opportunities for developing leasing in the expanding transport field. With its special Chevrolese programme. General Motors will be promoting vehicle-leasing through its 350-dealer network, thus bringing the number of outlets for the Bamerindus Midland operation to more than Midland operation to more than Leasing is rapidly growing in importance in Brazil as an additional means of finance for the country's substantial inter-

#### Interim slump at Boosey & Hawkes

nal investment programme.

Following the almost balved profits of 1979. Boosey and Hawkes saw its pretax profits slump from £391,000 to just £60,000 in the first six months of 1980. Turnover rose from \$8.05m to 59.15m. The board reports that difficult trading — especially in musical instru-ments — and costs incurred in upgrading manufacturing opera-tions (as well as terminating others) contributed to the re-



## Johannesburg Consolidated Investment Company, Limited

Extracts from the Chairman's Review by Sir Albert Robinson.

The Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held in Johannesburg on 10 November 1980 at 12 noon.

 ${f T}_{11}^{ints}$  is my last Chairman's review of your Company's affairs as I shall be succeeded on 1 January 1981 by the present Deputy Chairman, Mr G H Waddell. I have gladly accepted an invitation from my colleagues on the Board to continue serving as a Director.

I first became associated with Johnnies in 1965, when I was appointed an Alternate Director, in 1971 I became Chairman. For the past fifteen years, therefore, I have been involved in the affairs of the Group. During this time we have expanded our activities in platinum, gold, nickel, antimony and coal mining, and also in the industrial field. All of these areas of our business are contributing to the Group's present strength and prosperity and I am satisfied that they have the potential to do so in the future. Furthermore, I believe that under Mr Waddell's energetic leadership we can look forward to the development of new business as well as to the further expansion of our existing enterprises. But Johnnies' potential, and indeed the country's vast economic potential, will not be realised unless South Africa enjoys political, social and industrial stability. It is on this need for stability that I wish to comment.

The Prime Minister has unleashed the forces of change in South Africa after some thirty years of the restrictive policies of his predecessors. Over these years municious devices were employed to entrench apartheld or, as it later came to be known, separate development. Coloured and black representation in the South African Parliament was removed. Separate coloured and Indian councils were created. The Group Areas Act was introduced to divide the peoples of South Africa by forcing them to live in separate ethnic communities. Black homelands were established in the hope that they would acrest and ultimately reverse the influx of blacks to the metropolitan areas. This plethora of divisive legislation incyltably necessitated the enactment of increasingly elaborate and powerful laws for the control of dissent. However necessary those laws may be for the protection of the legitimate security interests of the State, it cannot be denied that they have encroached

extensively on the freedoms that are fundamental to any democratic society. Mr Boths assumed office at a time when the failure of the orthodox doctrine of separate development was becoming increasingly evident. Distrustful of the direction in which traditional policies were leading the country, the Prime Minister lost little time in setting a new and more hopeful course. Last year he amounced a programme of reform directed towards the establishment of a constellation of states which he claims will be founded upon racial equality and economic growth. To this end he has initiated a process of consultation with black leaders and with representatives of the business community. He has abandoned the Westminster system of parliamentary government by abolishing the Senate and he has also abolished the Coloured Persons Representative Council. In their

place he has amnounced plans for a new constitutional and political dispensation. As one who attended the now famous conference between business leaders and the Prime Minister and his Cabinet colleagues last November, I feel free to comment on the trend of events since that meeting. There are those who suggest that reactionary elements in the Government will frustrate the Prime Minister's efforts to create a generally acceptable basis for a new South African society. Others however, hope and believe that, despite its slow progress to date, his policy reflects a new spirit, namely one that recognises and accepts that a negotiated sharing of power among the races is the only alternative to violent inter-racial conflict in South Africa.

It is difficult to assess the present balance of power between the reactionaries and the reformists. I am, however, certain of one thing: that Mr Botha's policies have unleashed forces of change and nothing can now preserve the old order or prevent the ultimate emergence of a new, non-racial South Africa. The Government's further plans are awaited with the keenest interest by moderates of all races within the Republic and by the major Western powers, whose trade and investments are essential to the country's wellbeing. Their earnest hope is that Mr Boths will be able to steer a course away from conflict and towards an accommodation of the reasonable aspirations of all the peoples of South

I turn now to the question of industrial relations. In this sphere the Botha Government has advanced the process of change by the appointment of various commissions to investigate and report on industrial relations and the relevant labour laws in South Africa. investigate and report on industrial relations and the relevant module laws in South Arrica. For many years a number of leading white trade unions have dominated the industrial scene whereas blacks, by and large, have had their terms of employment decided by employers with the Government holding a watching brief. Today the majority of Government-approved and registered unions are non-while or racially mixed, which is an interesting and satisfactory development. Obviously industrial peace should be the prime objective of employers, the Government and employees. That goal will not be achieved if employers resort to lockouts, instant dismissals and requests for police action as a response to workers who seek to negotiate legitimate changes in their conditions of cmployment. Such measures can only lead to civil disorder or industrial action and consumer resistance. I believe that certain steps should be taken to resolve this complex problem, namely how to achieve a responsible trade union movement which is fully recognised and whose members do not feel impelled to resort to unlawful action to obtain redress of grievances. Firstly, all unions should aim at being democratically representative of all employees. Secondly, the number of unions competing with each other should be limited. This is essential if only to avoid demarcation disputes. Unions should be encouraged to amalgamate in the different economic disciplines, or at least to bargain together with management as is already the ease in the steel and engineering industry. Thirdly, it must be accepted that workers of all races have industrial rights, just as employers have industrial rights. One segment of the industrial community should not impose its will upon the other Management and the unions must negotiate under the umbrella of benevolent industrial legislation to further their mutual interests. These suggestions amount to the practice of industrial democracy, a principle which should be accepted in South Africa if strife and disorder in the work-place are to be avoided. After all, employers and employees should have a common interest, which is to further their own prosperity and thereby promote the

prosperity of the nation.

I have commented on some of the major political and industrial problems that confront the country. I am one of those who believe that to achieve stability in South Africa there should be one nation, however diverse its many parts. If this belief can win sufficient support — and I think it can — then we may hope for a constitution that meets the reasonable aspirations of the various communities. This achievement would provide the framework for a peaceful and prosperous future and would win for South Africa considerable support and goodwill in the international community.

Results for the Year The Johnnies Group made substantial progress during the past financial year and profits were at a record level.

Group profits before the deduction of tax, preference dividends and minority interests were R96.7m, compared with R70.9m for the previous year. Profits on the realisation of investments less provisions against possible future losses on investments amounted to RO.8m. After the deduction of tex, preference dividends, minority interests and the net surplus on realisation of investments, which is customarily regarded as non-distributable, the net profits available for distribution to ordinary shareholders for the 1980 financial year were R78.2m (1016 cents per share), an increase of 67% over the comparable figure of R43.3m (609 cents per share) for the previous year. These results are mainly areflection of a 48% increase in Group investment income from R38.1m to R56.4m.

earnings as it necessarily excludes the Group's share of the retained profits of non-subsidiary companies in which a substantial interest is held. When these underlying earnings are taken into account, the equity carnings of the Johnnies Group increase to R120.3m (1820 cents per share), compared with R86.8m (1214 cents per share) for the 1979 financial year Cash inflow for the year totalled R156.4m. Loan repayments absorbed R61.2m. R39.6m was distributed to preference and ordinary shareholders, investments accounted

The consolidated income statement does not give a complete picture of the Group's

for R12.8m; expenditure on exploration and research was R8.6m; and R8.5m was spent on fixed assets. The net result of the aforegoing was an increase in cash resources of R35.7m to R56.5m. The Group's net current assets improved from a deficit of R31.5m to a surplus of R75.2m. Thus, the financial strength of the Group has been improved to a significant extent

during the past year. A strong cash flow and substantial gearing potential place it in an excellent position to take full advantage of new opportunities as and when these arise. During the year ended 80 June 1980 dividend income from our diamond investments in-creased by 19% to R16.3m, or 21.6% of consolidated normal income. These investments, which amount to 11,3% of total Group investments, consist of heldings in certain unlisted

diamond trading companies and in De Beers Consolidated Mines Limited. The gold price continued to fluctuate widely during the year under review but maintained the strong upward trend that started in 1977. The average price received by the South African gold mining industry was R12,530 per kilogram, an increase of 98% on the

comparable figure for the previous year.
In March 1980. The Randfontein Es Limited announced plans for the sinking of the Cooke No 3 shaft to exploit the southern portion of its lease area. Full-scale production at the rate of 150,000 tons milled per month is expected to be achieved in 1986. Good progress has been made in overcoming production difficulties at the Cooke plant. As a result of higher gold prices, Western Areas Gold Mining Company Limited greatly

increased its after tax profits during the period under review. In January 1980 a long-term

contract for the supply of uranium was negotiated through the agency of Nuclear Fuels Corporation of South Africa (Pty) Limited, Deliveries in terms of this contract will begin in The uranium market, in contrast to the gold market, has deteriorated appreciably during the past year. With one or two notable exceptions atomic power programmes are generally at a standstill, partly as a result of public controversy concerning the alleged hazards of nuclear reactors and the disposal of waste material. The market may be expected to recover in due time, however, as the demand for energy increases and as the

leading industrial nations move to reduce their reliance on Middle East oil. Rustenburg Platimum Holdings Limited carned pre-tax profits of R289.9m in its financial year ended 31 August 1980, an increase of 85% on the comparable figure for the previous year. This record level of profits was due partly to increased sales volumes but mainly to substantially higher prices for platinum and palladium. During the past two years Rustenburg has greatly strengthened its financial position. All betrowings have been repuld and cash resources at 31 August 1980 amounted to R42. 1m. These cash resources. will enable the company to exercise greater flexibility in its response to any adverse

developments that may occur in the platinum market. Prospecting of the Merensky Platreef in the Potgieters rus district is far advanced but the necessary metallurgical and feasibility studies will not be completed for some time. Preliminary indications are that this area has the potential for supporting a major new platinum/nickel/copper mine. However, a close assessment of the future world-wice demand for platinum and Russenburgs overall production expabilities will have to be made before a decision can be reached on whether to develop a new mine. On 28 August 1980 Rustenburg raised its published price for plannum from \$200 to

As reported in the Directors' review, Johnnies' investment in managed coal producers now consists of a controlling interest in Taxistock Collieries Limited, the investment in Tax Natal Cambrian Collieries Limited having been sold during the year. In addition the company has valuable coal rights in the Middelburg, Breyten and Peardekop areas of the Eastern Transvaal and options over coal-bearing areas in Notal and KwaZulu. Other areas

\$475 per ounce. The company has enjoyed favourable trading conditions thus far in its

In my opinion, the Government's policy on coel exports is in urgent need of review. South
African reserves of coal are estimated to be 60 to 65 thousand million tons, so without inc least detriment to internal requirements they could easily support a level of exports very much higher than the officially imposed maximum of \$4 million tons per annum for thirty

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current financial year.

Consolidated Murchison Limited, the western world's largest producer of antimony concentrates, earned after-tax profits of R7.5m in its financial year ended 31 December 1979, compared with a less of RO.5m in the preceding year. Market conditions continued to be favourable during the first half of the current financial year but since then have deteriorated significantly as a result of a marked decline in demand from the principal consumers of antimony products. On 6 October 1980 the company amounced that, as sales were expected to remain at a low level next year, it had been decided to reduce the milling rate from 45,000 to 30,000 tons per month and, furthermore, that no final

dividend would be declared in respect of the current financial year.

Shangari Mining Corporation Limited, in Zimbabwe, made a net profit of Z80.8m, after full provision for interest charges, during its financial year to 30 June 1980, compared with a loss of Z82.3m for the previous year. These results, which were better then the breakeven position forecast in my previous review, were due mainly to unexpectedly good nickel prices and to a large increase in revenue from cobalt sales. Prospects for the current year are less favourable, however, and the indications are that operating profits may not cover

interest charges. We have confidence in the future of Shangani, which is the justification for our persecuence in funding our share of its financial requirements.

The future of Othnase Mining Company Limited has been the subject of a great deal of attention since my previous review. Your Board has decided that Johanles itself should not re-open the mine but instead should seek a suitable partner to do so. Discussions to this and being held with interested and to the discussions to this end are being hold with interested parties and, if those discussions should be succession Orithase could be re-opened on a satisfactory and viable basis.

Our interests in the industrial field include Consolidated Metallurgical Industries Lignited (CMI) and Lenning Holdings Limited, which are managed by Johnnies, and substantia portfolio investments in The South African Breweries Limited, Argus Printing are Publishing Company Limited and Toyota South Africa Limited. Income from industria investments, including the interest of Johnnies and its whelly-owned financia subsidiaries in the retained carnings of non-subsidiary companies in which substantia

investments are held, amounted to R29.4m, an increase of \$9% on last year's figure. CMI enjoyed favourable market conditions during the year and its financial result although adversely affected by the appreciation of the rand against the US dollar, were it accordance with expertations. At the end of June, however, the company's rate of production was cut by 15% in response to a decrease in ferro-chrome demand caused by sharp decline in US steel production. SABreweries, which made a major contribution to the improvement in Johannies incom

for the year, increased its carnings and dividends by 80.7% and 87.3% respectively and 3 particularly well placed to benefit from the upsurge in consumer spending that is not There is good reason to expect that in the current finencial year our industry

investments will again improve upon an already substantial commission to c consolidated income. Johannesburg

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**EMS Currency Rates** 

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Sterling	79.0
US dollar	85.2
Canadian dollar	80.1
Schilling	150.2
Belgian franc	113.0
Danish krouer	109.2
Deutsche mark	148.8
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Sterling: Spot and Forward

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#### Foreign exchange report

The dollar registered smart gains on foreign exchange markets yesterday afternoon as Eurodollar rates strengthened on the sharper-than-expected, 2.4 per cent rise in US leading economic indicators last month.

The unchanged MLR protected sterling, so that the loss here was limited to just 30 points at 2.4385. And with the pound performing well in terms of continental currencies, the effective exchange rate index held Tuesday's closing level of 79.0. closed amount of dollars, while the Bank of France was also active m the market, concerned about the strains on the BMS. bought around \$100m.

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#### Wall Street

New York, Oct. 39.—Prices on the New York Stock Exchange closed lower with the index off 0.95 to 72.85 and the aperage price per share down 45 cents. The Dow Jones industrial average lost 11.43 to 917.75, its lowest level since closing at 915.10 July 7. Declines led advances 1,165 to 365 as turnover quickened to 39,060,000 shares.

Sun Company fell 6-7 to 47. It said its Sincor Canadian unit would be severely hurt by the budget proposals. Superior Oil, which has a huge Canadian subsidiary, dropped 181 to 191.

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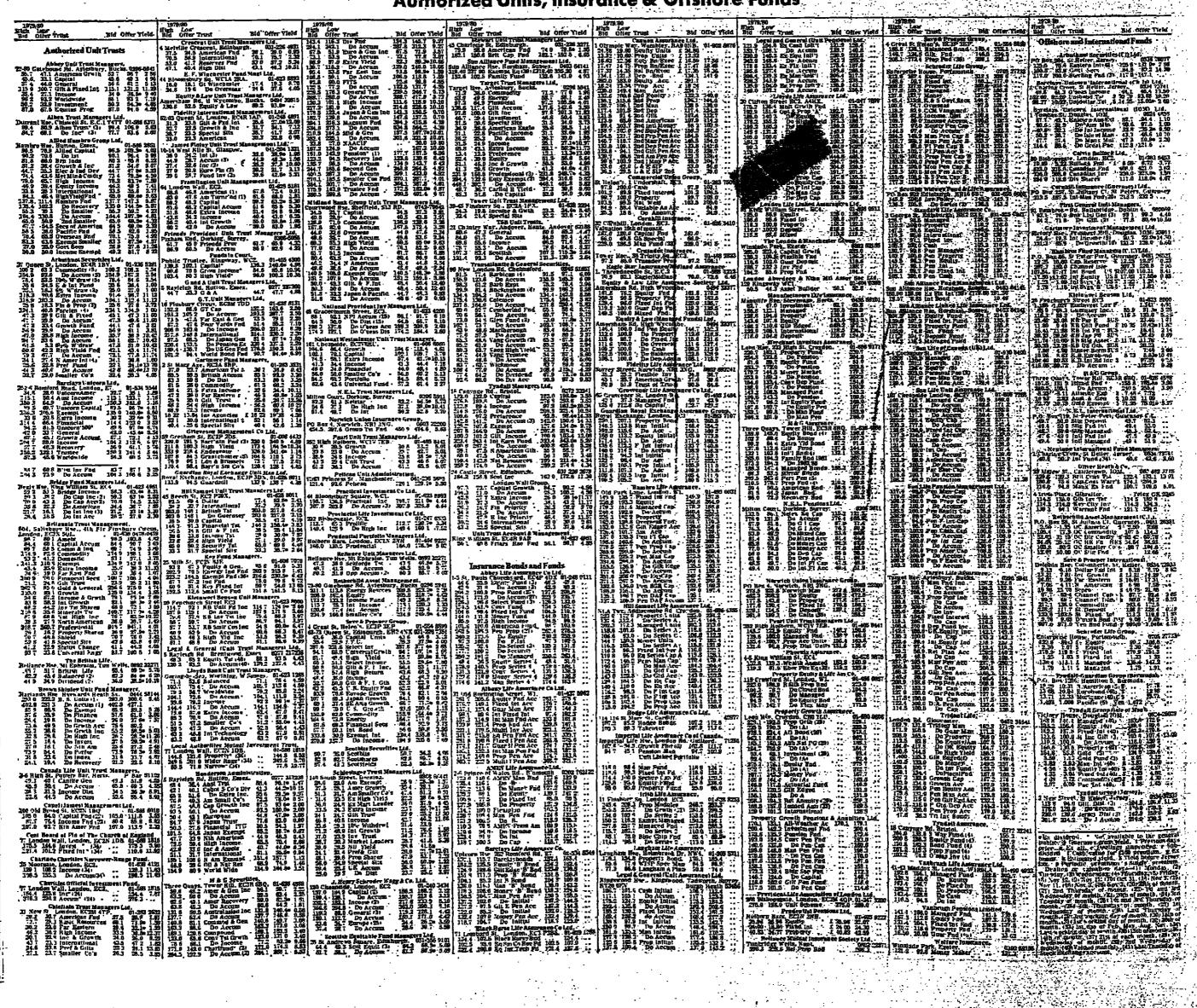
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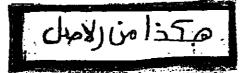
Gulf Canada said the budget proposals will force it to reassess its involvement in Tar lands and other exploration areas. Dome Petroleum saw revenue to oil companies under the proposals as inadequate to finance future energy projects. Canadian Pacific lost 31 to 391. Canadian Facific Enterprises fell
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#### **Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds**





Stock Exchange Prices

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#### Motoring

#### A car likely to become a trend-setter

A few years ago, VW-Audi, the group we must now learn to call by its new name, VAG, was faced with a difficulty, the solution of which may have caused a few headaches in the short term but would appear to have left the organization that much more able to tackle the much larger difficulties facing the industry this year.

The task confronting management was the need to separate the Volkswagen and Audi marque identities more clearly; there was too much overlap for the long-term health of the two ranges in an increasingly competitive environment.

Already a certain amount of progress had been made in that direction, notably with the Audi 100. When the original design had run its course its replace-ment was a significantly more impressive executive package, clearly intended to take the Audi name farther up-market.

It was the unfinished part of the business that required so much careful thought, what to do with the Audi 80, a car of neat appearance but which had much in common with the VW Passat, a feature with obvious

benefits in terms of manufacturing economy but one which was inhibiting the establishment of the car's separate identity.

In a bold move it was decided to move the Audi 80 an even larger step up the ladder than that already taken by the 100 series, in other words, to bring the 80 and 100 closer together and away from VW territory. To underline the intention the replacement 80, which was first seen in 1978, was given a substantially larger body than its predecessor, with a style clearly identifiable with that of the 100 saloon.

The new cars were also some 15 per cent more expensive than the models they replaced. Superficially they appeared to be overpriced relative to the other contenders in the 1.6-litre, fourdoor saloon market.

However, closer inspection disclosed another ingredient, which suggested that it was wrong to relate the Audi 80 to rivals on a basis of engine displacement alone.

While the new cars (available in LS, GLS and GLE versions) could be termed up-market 1.6litre models, they were, perhaps, more accurately described as cars that came close to matching the Audi 100's standards of refinement, equipment and performance, that fell not too far short of it in terms of passenger and luggage space despite being about a foot shorter and 3½ inches narrower, and that matches its quality of finish.

Whether by design or accident. in creating the Audi 80 the manufacturers had brought traditional 2-litre-plus standards of performance, refinement and equipment into a smaller and more economical package, thereby giving customers the oppor-



The GLS-intermediate model in the three-car Audi 80 range of 1.6 litre saloons

engine-size terms, without sacrificing quality in other areas (just as the 2.2-litre 100s are aimed at buyers who traditionally have It is a concept tailor made for the current environment.

Of the three versions of the Audi 80, the LS has a 75-bhp, single-overhead-camshaft, fourcylinder engine, the GLS an 85-bhp version of the same engine with a higher level of trim and equipment, and the GLE a 110bhp, fuel-injected derivative of the same 1,588 cc engine, the same level of trim as the GLS, and additional equipment including a manual sliding roof, alloy wheels and rear head restraint

Unlike the LS and GLS, which are also obtainable with three speed automatic transmission, the fuel-injected GLE is only available with a four-speed manual gearbox. Prices range from £5,388 for the LS to £5,887 for the GLS or £6,240 with automatic transmission, and £7,095 for the GLE, an example of

tunity to "trade down" in which was the subject of one of my recent road tests.

Apart from tinted and heatinsulated glass (the extra £189 includes a laminated screen), the been in the 23 to 3-litre market). only non-standard item on this very well equipped car was the radio.

In addition to the above items the standard specification of the GLE (and GLS) includes crushed velour upholstery, soft pile carpeting, partly upholstered door trim, several storage compartments, twin exterior mirrors, headlamp washers, revolution counter, economy gauge, quartz clock, integral front and rear fog lamps and a lockable fuel cap.

What is equally pleasing, great-care has been taken of both the colour-matching or blending and the fit of various items of mim. and equipment, and the test car, in a light green metallic exterior finish with appropriate use of soft green shades inside, pre-sented a most appealing aura of quality, happy blend of bright ness with dignity which is not always easy to achieve.

misleading, for on the move the 80 GLE has a." big car" feel in terms of noise suppression and the smoothness of engine and rransmission. For a relatively highly timed four-cylinder, the engine has remarkably good low speed torque (even though the peak figure is not registered until 5,000 rom), and even in top gear it will pull steadily from as low as 1,500 rpm, provided the accelerator is not depressed too

An encouragement not to do so is constantly there through the "econometer". That is a vacuum gauge, sensitive to throttle opening the needle of which swings vigorously between the two ends of the dial to indicate the relative rate of fuel usage; it is surprising how often the right foot can be eased just a fraction; without materially altering the cars progress, to achieve a marked reduction in instantaneous fuel consumption.

#### Feeling of great power

The overall level of mechanical smoothness suggests that more than four cylinders are under the bonnet, and the abundant torque makes one wonder whether the cer could use a slightly higher top gear as a further aid to economy.

The best consumption 1

achieved, over 250 mainly motorway miles, was just under 28 mpg, yet even in heavy London traffic over a two-day period I was able to achieve more than 24 mpg.

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The air of refinement was not up was commendably smooth For is the secret of its appear a front wheel thive car without power assistance the pateering effort, even at very low speeds is satisfactorily light, albeit at the expense of comparatively low gearing of four them bek

Thoughtfully, a damper has been included in the rack and pinion system. The brakes have a relatively soft pedal, but proved to be entirely adequate through our the test period.

Given the need, first gear is good for about 28 mph, second for 50 and third for 75 mph, and on speed-unrestricted German autobahnen the Audi 80 will reach between 110 and 115 mph. More important for us, of course, is the car's ability to reach 60 mph from rest in just over 10 seconds, a good yardstick for any family saloon,

I found the driving position to be excellent and the seat to give sufficient lateral and lung-bar support, and the cushioning was sufficiently yielding for long-journey comfort. Both handling and ride comfort earned high marks, the most significant feat-ures being good directional stability, a well restrained level of understeer and excellent bump of understeer and excellent bump absorption over anything short of hadly potholed urban roads.

A 15-gallon fuel tank gives the car an extellent cruising range (13 gallons is left when the needle enters the "red sector). and with the tank ahead of the rear axle and the spare wheel to one side a surprisingly deep luggage compartment has been provided, albeit with a high loading sill and relatively small opening."

To sum up, here is a car which cannot easily be classified be-cause it combines features usu-

why in years to come it me seen to have been a signifirrend-setter.

#### Hill leads the way to Brighton

The former world chamracing driver Phil Hill, will the first of 320 drivers to flagged away from Hyde Park 8 am on Sunday at the star the RAC London-Brighton for veteran cars. He will driving an 1893 Benz, the ok entry and one of six cars com from Germany this year out 50 strong overseas conting. The United States has the larg entry, of 20 cars, and ou countries represented will Australia, Belgium, Canada, Irish Republic, France, Mexiche. Netherlands, Sweden & Switzerland.

The Queen has entered. 1900 Daimler, believed to becar first owned by King Edw. VII when he was Prince of Wa and it will be driven on Sun: by Prince Michael of Kent, p sident of the RAC. To class as a finisher in the event, wh is sponsored by Renault (U Ltd, competitors have to re: Brighton under their own pot by 1 pm. Two 70 year olds v so and the oldest will be Mr A Hodsdon, who has competed every postwar run but one a is the same age as his 1900 Lo mobile Steamer.

A plea to anyone planning follow the veteran cars along t route: Please leave them amy ally for stopping and for maki a run up hills.

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